Recognized Authority on Connellsville Coke Trade.

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Circulates Wherever Coke is Manufactured or Used.

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Prices and Prospects.

ACTIVE CONTRACT BUYING STARTED.

First Batch Reported Covers Nearly 100,000 Tons a Month.

HARDENING OF PRICES NOTED

Several of the Contracts Are for 1 65 and $1 75 and Others on Ratio Basis With $1 65 Minimum—Iron and Steel Outlook Improved.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURG November 29.—Active contracting for furnace coke for 1912 requirements has commenced and the first batch of contracts to be reported covers nearly 100 000 tons a month or more than one third the total merchant tonnage which is subject to contracting for annual or semi annual period. The Rainey interest has sold the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company again closing a contract for approximately ... 000 tons a month during the entire year at $1 65. A leading operator interest in the trade announces the closing of six annual contracts within the past week or ten days these contracts with the estimated monthly tonnages most of the contracts being requirement contracts being as follows 12 000 tons at $1 65 8 000 tons at $1 70 7 000 tons at $1 7 12 000 tons on a ratio basis and 9 000 tons on a ratio basis for the first six months of the year 10 600 tons at $1 60. Footed up the contracts amount to 58 000 tons a month the Rainey contract bringing the total to 98,000 tons monthly which is about 100 000 tons altogether allowing for the fact that one of the contracts runs only six months.

The coke market for the new year is thus opened in a much brisker way than was the case a year ago. The first sale we reported for 1911 delivery was on November 2 1910 being of only a moderate tonnage and for the first half only. While the price was $1 75 the market dragged for several weeks and it was not until the closing days of December that any considerable tonnage was sold at flat prices. In the closing days of November and the early part of December a number of ratio contracts were made. These contracts were generally on the basis of $13 50 on basic iron in the market at that time being $13 50 so that the prospective selling price was $1 6. The actual average during the first half of this year was about $13 50 making about $1 69 for coke but in the past few months basic has dropped below $13 and is now down to $12. The coal settlement usually does not follow iron so low there being a minimum in the contract of $1 60 for coke sometimes $1 65. On an 8 to 1 ratio with $1 60 minimum basic would only need to drop below $12 80 to make the minimum effective and the pig iron price of no further consequence. The Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company's contract for 1912 just mentioned is reported to be at a flat price of $1 65. One year ago our report noted the understanding in the trade that the contract for 1911 was on a ratio basis eight to one on basic iron with a minimum of $1 6 but calling for only 28 000 tons a month when the company's furnace requirements were estimated at ... 000 to 40 000 tons a month leaving a tonnage to be bought in the open market if the furnaces should be run full. The later contracts in the contracting period of a year ago were made at about $1 60 there being reports even of some contracts at a slightly lower figure. Thus on the whole the contracting is running better for the coke operator now than a year ago both as to the prices involved and as to earliness of closing.

According to The Courier reports of the past three weeks the furnace oven production is at the rate of 782 000 tons a month and the merchant oven production at the rate of 607 000 tons a month making 1 389 000 tons a month total production. Of the merchant oven production of ... 600 000 tons a month it may be taken that about one half is on long term contracts running through next year and in some cases even into later years. For example a Wheeling interest is understood to have a contract ... for 1911 and 1912 made in November 1910 for 20 000 to 30 000 tons a month. Cambria has a contract with Frances Rocks for 10 000 tons a month for three years beginning January 1 1911 and with the Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Company for 15 000 to 20 000 tons a month for 1911 and 1912 with option to renew for 1913. The Thompson Connellsville Coke Company has a contract for the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company's requirements at Aliquippa up to 30 000 tons a month ... of ... and we estimate that the total tonnage involved in such contracts is ... either way from 300 000 tons a month so that it may be estimated about 300 000 tons a month is left to cover foundry coke furnace coke sold for spot shipment and furnace coke sold for the half year and year. The contracts reported this week make a total of about ... 000 tons a month so that fully one third of all the coke to be sold for annual and semi annual contracts ... and reported this week for the first time.

The market range is well established at $1 60 to $1 65 for the first half and $1 65 to $1 75 for the second half. There is not the least likelihood of any contracts being made at lower figures while if the iron market makes any further improvement slightly higher prices may be secured on the remaining contracts. It is worth noting however that much of the business that has been done has been put through because the recent improvement in the iron and steel outlook made furnaces more keen to contract. It may require a further improvement to bring more buyers into the market.

Sales of between 60 and 70 cars of prompt furnace coke have been made in the past week at $1 50 the regular price for many weeks. A large merchant furnace interest is understood to be about to contract for its December supply and will probably have to pay a little above $1 50 owing to the usual prospect of a tightening up around the holidays. We quote the market as follows:

Furnace prompt	$1 50@$1 55
Furnace December	$1 57@$1 60
Furnace first half	$1 60@$1 65
Furnace for year 1912	$1 65@$1 75
Foundry prompt	$1 80@$1 90
Foundry contract	$ 00@ [illegible]

The Jones & Laughlin Steel Company is out with an inquiry for 2 000 to 3 000 tons of basic pig iron for early delivery at Aliquippa. The company has been operating the wire rod wire and tin plate departments at Aliquippa using steel shipped from the Pittsburg plant while the Aliquippa blast furnaces and steel works have been idle. On account of the large tonnage of plates its customers will need for steel cars being ordered it will presumably need more steel and while no official announcement has been made the prospect is that the Aliquippa steel department will be started. The inquiry for pig iron however indicates that the blast furnaces are not to be blown in to furnish the pig iron and in this incident there is a moral for the coke trade. The common report when the company made its three year contract for coke for Aliquippa was that a flat price of $2 was involved. The contract of course was a requirement one depending on whether the furnaces operated and it expires late next year. Basic pig iron is selling in the market at a very low price less than the cost of production to some furnaces and while the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company has one of its own coke at $2 and a freight of 94 cents to Aliquippa which is only 10 cents higher than the rate to Pittsburg the coke is by no means attractive. It is one thing to sell coke at a good figure and another thing for the purchaser to call for it.

THE STEEL MARKET.

Purchases of Raw Material Emphatic Testimony of Better Feeling.

NEW YORK Nov 29.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron and Steel Report will say tonight:

Emphatic testimony that there is a much better feeling among iron and steel producers is furnished by purchases of raw material. Seven contracts for Connellsville coke are reported involving a total of more than a million tons for delivery over next year at prices ranging from $1 60 to $1 75. Two steel works in the Central West have bought basic pig iron for the next three to four months one taking 3,000 tons and the other 1 000 tons while another steel interest is in the market for 20,000 or 30 000 tons and has lately bought a large tonnage of scrap paying a higher average price than has prevailed on small lots.

The feeling noted in our reports a fortnight ago that the iron and steel market has passed a turning point has now become fairly general in the trade. Buyers of finished steel products are taking hold for greater distances ahead and sellers are bending their energies towards avoiding commitments too far ahead with out discouraging the buying movement. Increased production this winter is now expected instead of the decrease which under normal conditions the progress of the season would have indicated.

Car buying on this movement since the closing days of October total 10 670 cars ordered with enquiries for 0 000 to 000 from the Pennsylvania system the Harriman lines Atchison and some smaller systems none of these figuring in the 40 000 cars already reported. Practically full work for the car builders means 000 to 6 000 cars a week.

There has been heavy contracting for sheets for delivery over the first half of the new year and at the expense of prices which are held to represent a loss in many cases. For prompt delivery $1 80 and $2 80 ... on black and galvanized have been shaded and for next year the average is only ... above these figures. Plates and bars show stiffening tendency and Cambria has withdrawn its $1 0 price on bars quoting $1 10 as a minimum.

Big Coal Land Deal

WASHINGTON Pa Nov 28.—A ... the deal by which Walter F Hawkins of Waynesburg exchanges 600 acres of ... Monroe county Ohio ... valued at ... Fayette county ... valued at $10 000 the property of ... of Washington D C. The $10 000 difference was paid in cash.

Coke Producers Meet

Eighteen members of the Fayette County Coke Producers Association took lunch together in the private dining room of the Hotel Titlow Uniontown Saturday afternoon. The ... than usual at the weekly meetings.

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION	WEEK ENDING NOV 25 1911				WEEK ENDING NOV 18 1911			
District	Ovens	In	Out	Tons	Ovens	In	Out	Tons
Connellsville	23,208	15,716	7 492	185,103	23,208	15 716	7 492	172 492
Lower Connellsville	15 696	11,509	4,187	145,690	15,694	11 439	255	143 887
Totals	38 904	27,225	11 679	330,793	38,902	27,155	11 747	316,379
Furnace Ovens								
Connellsville	18 565	12 753	5 812	145,745	18,565	12 753	5 812	134 282
Lower Connellsville	4,615	3,316	1,299	39 196	4,613	304	1 309	39 029
Totals	23 180	16 069	7,111	184,941	23,178	16,057	7 121	173 311
Merchant Ovens								
Connellsville	4 643	2 963	1,680	39,358	4,643	2,963	1 680	38,210
Lower Connellsville	11 081	8 193	2,888	106,494	11,081	8 135	2 946	104 858
Totals	15 724	11 156	4 568	145,852	15,724	11,098	4 626	143 068

SHIPMENTS	WEEK ENDING NOV 25 1911	WEEK ENDING NOV 18 1911
To Pittsburg	3,740 Cars	3 546 Cars
To Points West of Pittsburg	4,950 Cars	4 960 Cars
To Points East of the Region.	931 Cars	906 Cars
Totals	9 621 Cars.	9 412 Cars

Coal Operators Make Strong Case Against Railroads Showing Discrimination in Rates.

The hearing in the Pittsburg coal rate case was concluded before Commissioner Meyer of the Interstate Commerce Commission on Saturday. The railroads will be heard in rebuttal beginning December 27. The chief witnesses were officials of the Pittsburg Coal Company which intervened in the proceedings inaugurated by John W Boileau in behalf of the independent coal operators of the Pittsburg district. The testimony collected by Boileau was faithfully followed and together with a number of statistical tabulations prepared by him made up a very complete case. The defense of the railroads was purely perfunctory. Every barrier they sought to erect proved to be weaker than the spider's cobweb. Practically they have as yet outlined no defense worthy of the name.

The case of the Connellsville coke operators will come up for consideration on Monday December 18. The testimony in this case has been prepared by John W Boileau and it will be conducted and argued by the same attorneys engaged in the Pittsburg coal rate case namely Wade H Ellis and Louis D Brandeis.

Following is a summary of the last four days proceedings. The opening testimony was printed in The Weekly Courier of last week.

Vice President Walsh Tells

James P Walsh Vice President and Sales Manager and H P McCue Traffic Manager told the Pittsburg Coal Company's grievance against the present discriminatory freight rates on lake coal traffic. Their testimony was something of a revelation to the public and doubtless to the Interstate Commerce Commission also.

Vice President Walsh was most vigorous in his complaints of the disadvantages under which the Pittsburg district operator labored and most pessimistic as to the future unless the freight rates to the lake ports are reduced. Traffic Manager McCue declared that while steamship rates on the Lakes had been reduced about 10 cents a ton during the past 10 years and dock charges about five cents a ton the railroads saw it coming and took it away. In other words absorbed it by increasing the freight rate from Pittsburg district mines to the lake.

Walsh was placed on the stand by Attorney Wade Ellis shortly after the hearing opened. He said his company made practically no profit on the Lake cargo coal it mined. It was conducting business at a loss but with the hope of getting relief. Within the last few years it said it had been crowded out of the Lake and Northwest markets.

In substance he said the only markets it now has are in the case of long term contracts. To hold these contracts his company is compelled he said to contract free on board at the mine at a rate of $1 07 a ton. This meant a rate of $2 02 free on board the vessel at the Lake. In Milwaukee for instance West Virginia coal is sold for ... cents a ton less on contract than the Pittsburg Coal Company can afford. The company has long time contracts amounting to about 2 500 000 tons a year for Lake cargo coal.

On cross-examination the witness stated that the Pittsburg Coal Company had shipped more Lake cargo coal in the past two years than in previous ones and its increase in income from this source was larger than any other year except 90 and 191. In the course of his direct examination Walsh said his company had built a new dock, known as No 7 on Lake Superior for the handling of cargo coal at an expenditure of $1 000 000. This dock also handles West Virginia coal. Asked why if the business was a losing one his company had made his investment witness replied:

"We have got to stay in the market with the expectation of getting relief some day through reduction in the freight rates."

"If the rate should be reduced ... cents from the Pittsburg field and correspondingly reduced from the West Virginia fields would that satisfy you?" suggested counsel for the railroads.

"I don't know anything about that," replied the witness. "I think we pay too much and I am only interested in our rates."

"Now as a matter of fact," said Attorney Butterfield representing the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad, "the ... would exclude the West Virginia coal from the Lakes would it not?"

"I most hopes that it would," answered Walsh smiling.

Butterfield asked a series of questions as to the loss of the market in the copper country by the Pittsburg Coal Company and then added: "I will not ask you who took the copper country trade from you." Attorney Ellis later asked Walsh the names of the jobbing firms that had obtained the copper region trade. Walsh said the firms were Pickands Mather & Co, M A Hanna & Co and the Keystone Coal Company the latter owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and working as a non-union ... at less than union wages and situated in Westmoreland county. These firms he said have a better rate to the First by 15 cents a ton. The larger portion of the business in the copper country he said was supplied by West Virginia coal which these firms bought and put in there at a lower price than they found it possible to put in the Pittsburg coal. It was because the jobbers they found they could not make money by putting in Pittsburg coal that they purchased and put in West Virginia coal. At this point Attorney Butterfield asked:

"What prevented you from doing what these firms have done?"

"We are not jobbers," replied Walsh but he admitted that the Pittsburg operators had an opportunity to sell West Virginia coal.

"If you did as Mr Butterfield suggests the Pittsburg operators would have to go into the business of selling West Virginia coal would they not?" asked Mr Ellis.

"That is where we are heading," replied Mr Walsh.

H P McCue Traffic Manager of the Pittsburg Coal Company referred to the shipments of coal from the Pittsburg district to the Lakes as the back haul because he said it was of smaller tonnage than the ore carried.

The railroads have always considered the ore tonnage as preferred he said, because in times of car shortage they always give the ore trade the cars.

Witness related how in the past the carriers had misused coal cars belonging to the Pittsburg Coal Company. He said cars belonging to the company were loaded with ore in Ashtabula harbor and sent to Valley points and on some occasions made four trips before the company could compel the carriers to return them. At one period his company at certain mines had lost ... per cent of time on account of the railroad company failing to furnish sufficient cars and using the company cars in other traffic.

Comptroller J B Hornberger was cross-examined by Attorney Butterfield for a few moments at the opening of the morning session. He gave figures with ... the operations of the company. On his cross examination Comptroller Hornberger admitted that the Moon Run Branch railroad the stock of which is owned by the coal company gets a division of 15 cents out of the 88 cent rate for a haul of a little more than five miles.

McCue's Startling Charge.

The day was taken up with the hearing of two witnesses. Traffic manager H P McCue of the Pittsburg Coal Company and G M ... of Columbus O consulting ... for shippers ... operations who ... commission and who ... experience ... record ... comprehensive tables giving statistics ... freight rates and utilization of railroads.

McCue ... charged that ... there discrimination ... the Pittsburg district ... all the discriminations extended to the East ... West Virginia ... The Pittsburg operators ... paid twice ... compared with ... shipments from West Virginia though the ... the haul to the Lakes. According to the witness the carriers receive ... the East ... little more than one half ... what they receive from the ... Using ... the lowest ... moving freight ... advantage over the Pittsburg district ... West Virginia ...

... permitted to ship ... their coal ... through the ... McCue ... On cross-examination McCue ... that his company ... the ... tendency ... the coal ... Walbash ... the Wabash ... was not capable of handling a large amount of traffic.

On ... this represents ... the company ... the ... with ... the ... freight ... the Pittsburg ... highest ... the East.

... McCue ... his company has shipped ... Wabash ... on ... sometimes ... the Pittsburg ... to ... storage.

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Production and Output.

EXONERATION FOR THEM

Taft's Testimony Supports Attitude of Judge Gary and Roosevelt.

... the position ... the United States Steel ... the ... business ... Judge Gary ... the United States ... Roosevelt and Judge ... that ... the United States Steel Corporation ... has nothing to ... as follows ... the ... Steel Corporation ... the future ... Corporation ... Coal Iron & Railroad ... Judge ... President ... New York at the time ... famous ... November 4 ... contention ... the government ... relieved ... Iron & Railroad Company ... valuable ... Tennessee Coal Iron & ... November 1 ... leading ... extremely critical and that ... its stock ... any loans ... the company ... impair ... Birmingham ... forgotten the ... company ... its purchase by the Steel Corporation ... well known ... one of ... banks ... absolutely ... of $ 6000 ... the closing ... alternative.

The developments made in this district ... the Tennessee Coal Iron & Railroad Company ... acquisition ... Steel Corporation ... a matter ... knowledge ... speak for ... the Government ... the ... fully ... developments ... Birmingham district has ... We have ... legality of the steel corporation ... earlier ... will of course be conserved.

The present investigation of the United States Steel Corporation is ... and we have no doubt it will put ... when the campaign of 1912 closes. With various ... or imagined ... relegated to the ... political ambition.

In this free country of free election ... necessary evil ... growing ... to curtail their numbers and frequency and that it seems to ... popular approval.

DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED BY MINE SUPPLY COMPANY

A D Sossong Is Chosen Vice President to Succeed Late Clark Stillwagon—Did Not ...

... Connellsville Mine Supply Company ... Sossong ... Stillwagon ... W H Hoke ... Rockwell ... W H ... A D Sossong ... the company has ever enjoyed.

Water Power Withdrawals

... million ... acres of public land ... withdrawn ... valuable for ... water ... the United States Geological Survey recommended ... withdrawal of ... possibilities ... acres ... showed ... them ... for ... sites.

Charges Car Discrimination

Alleged unlawful distribution and apportionment of coal cars among the ... county Ohio by the ... railroad is made the ... of a ... with the Interstate Commerce Commission by the National Coal ... Corporation with headquarters in Cleveland.

THE COKE TRADE MAKES A PAUSE.

On the Brink of 1912 Business Ovens are Being Blown Out

FOR USUAL HOLIDAY REPAIRS.

Even Prospects of Hardening Prices Do Not Assure the Coke Manufacturers a Profit and Need for Merger is Again Emphasized

The Connellsville coke trade is pausing on the brink of 1912 business and ... shut downs and repairing ... of the holiday season. The ... continues ... thousand ... the ... furnace interest ... month ... the ... the present restriction ... is merely ... the ... shut down ... again ... number ... the ... therefore somewhat of ... in ... making.

In the meantime ... information ... the merchant operators are doing a brisk business in 1912 contracts ... how ... volume ... Connellsville coke at $1 60 to $1 65 ... millionaires out of the merchant operators of the Connellsville region ... they will in the present condition of business never ... until they get closer together. They should learn wisdom from certain coal interests. The finest furnace fuel in the world should never sell under $2 per ton, no matter what the follies of furnacemen may be.

Production made a gain last week of 14 414 tons as compared with the preceding week the total being 330,793 tons as against 316 379 tons. The furnace ovens gained 1 630 tons their total being 184 941 tons as compared with 173 311 tons while the merchant ovens made a gain of 2,784 tons their total being 145,852 tons as against 143 068 tons.

The running time increased from 5.7 days to ... days. The average of the furnace ovens was ... days as compared with 4.78 days the week before while the merchant ovens averaged 5.60 days as against 5.7 days.

Of the 16 069 furnace ovens in operation 60 ran seven days 15 0 ran six days and 14 349 ran five days.

Of the 11 ... merchant ovens in operation 9 00 ran six days 2 041 ran five days and 110 ran four days.

Of the ... ovens in operation 10 ran seven days 1 ... ran six days 1 400 ran five days and 110 ran four days.

Shipments ... cars ... compared with the previous week ... 9 412 cars. Shipments to Pittsburg increased 19 ... and ... shipments decreased ...

The ... in the region ... blowing in of ... Crow ... 10 ... Hill 10 and ... total 70.

... the ... in the ... of ... report.

MINE CLOSES DOWN

Jones & Laughlin Vesta Shaft at Allenport Worked Out

... the ... Vesta ... Jones & Laughlin ... operation ... Shaft No 21 ... Jones & Laughlin Company ... the Vesta No ... in the ... of near Fredericktown.

320-Acre Homestead Areas Opened.

During ... six ... designated by the Secretary of the Interior as suitable for entry under the enlarged homestead act. These include ... 110 acres of land in Idaho and Oregon and make a total of 190 ... which has been designated by the Secretary of the Interior as ... 320 acre homestead units.

Engineers Discuss Coal Mines

The Engineers Society of Western Pennsylvania at its meeting Wednesday night discussed the coal mining industry. The speakers were H J Lewis W G Wilkins C B Albree W W Macfarren Dr J A Holmes Director of the Bureau of Mines and other members of the bureau George P Wood ... Z Schellenberg ... D Dreyfus S ... Taylor and Morris Knowles.

COAL OPERATORS MAKE STRONG CASE.

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the Pittsburg operators from continuing the Lake trade and building up the West Virginia trade through favorable freight rates?

Well, I don't know any other way to account for it than according to the records I have, that the railroads were interested in West Virginia coal properties.

The witness said that the ore rate from Ashtabula harbor to the Pittsburg district was 95 cents a gross ton and its value per annum was three or four times that of the coal shipped from the Pittsburg district to Ashtabula.

Asked what he believed was the proper rate McCue said about 50 cents a ton from the Pittsburg district to Ashtabula, where the haul was in the neighborhood of 140 to 145 miles. He compared this rate and length of haul with several others, but selected one as typical on the Pennsylvania lines, which he said has been found to be profitable. The typical instance selected was the haul from Columbus to Sandusky, the haul being about 111 miles and the rate being 32 cents a ton on Lake cargo coal.

George M. Frear took the stand at the afternoon hearing. He submitted a table showing comparisons of mileage from the West Virginia fields and from the Pittsburg district to Lake ports, and past, present and proposed rates. His first table showed that in a proceeding before the Ohio Railroad Commission the Pennsylvania Company stated the average haul from the Pittsburg district to Ashtabula is 148 miles. This is less than the figures of the complainants in this proceeding. In this table the witness calculated the per ton per mile rate from the Pittsburg district to be 5.54 mills. From the Maysville, Kentucky, district the per ton mile rate is 2 mills; from the Fairmont district in West Virginia, 3.9 mills.

Another table presented by Frear shows that the revenue per train mile from Lake cargo coal for the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad is $16.04, while the average revenue per train mile for the whole country in 1909 was $2.26 and for the Pennsylvania lines $3.78. Frearer suggested that these figures meant a decidedly profitable business. The statistics put in the record by the witness show that the carriers participating in the Pittsburg and Ashtabula haul have done a decidedly profitable business in the past 10 years. Among the figures were those showing 13 per cent dividends by the Lake Shore on its common and preferred and the 35, 40 and 50 per cent dividends of the Lake Erie.

Call Railroads Unfair.

The interest of the coal-carrying roads in the West Virginia fields apparently was established by the testimony of Carroll D. Davis, assistant trust officer of the Union Trust Company of Pittsburg, who occupied the stand for a short time. President Field, of the Pittsburg Coal Company, also took the stand for a short time before adjournment and gave testimony in support of that given earlier by Chairman Taylor, of the Board of Directors.

On the whole, the feeling of the complainant operators after the day's proceedings was one of confidence that they had made their case. The fact set forth by the various officers of the Pittsburg Coal Company who have appeared have been of great assistance in making the case and the other complainants appreciate fully the aid the big company has given them.

On taking the stand Chairman Taylor reviewed the coal business in the Pittsburg district in the '80s, when the rate to the Lakes was $1 a ton and they got $2.95 for delivering coal to Lake Erie. The cost of production was about one-half what it is today, he said, and the business was both profitable to the operators and to the railroads, and continued so until the railroads, as he termed it, "played false" to the Pittsburg operators and became speculators and developed soft coal lands in West Virginia. Taylor said the profits of the Pittsburg operators began to decrease as the railroads took the market from them by favors granted to West Virginia coal. Ever since that time the profits of the coal company have decreased and profits of the railroads have increased. He said the distance of the West Virginia field from the Northwest markets should have made them, from an economic standpoint, one of the last fields to be developed.

"What you favor, then," said G. E. Butterfield, representing the carriers, "is the shutting out of the West Virginia coal from the lake trade?"

"That is not the question at stake," said Taylor. "It is, shall our Pittsburg coal be shut out of the market on the lakes by the railroad interests?"

Further questioning by Butterfield elicited the information from Taylor that the capacity of the mines in the Pittsburg district is double the tonnage and they would be worked to full capacity if the railroads would give them fair rates. Taylor insisted, when questioned further by Butterfield that West Virginia coal had been forced into the Northwest markets by the railroad interests, thus depriving Pittsburg of its natural advantages.

Cross-examined further by Butterfield, Taylor admitted that the entry of the West Virginia coal to the market had brought down the price of coal to the consumer. But he declared the coal companies in the Pittsburg district have been working for the railroads during the past few years and have been making no profit. Taylor then summarized his position as follows, when asked what he thought was a reasonable rate:

"My judgment is that you are not any more competent to make this rate than we are. Your committee of interest, your maintenance of differentials, mean that you have other interests to promote outside of moving coal from the Pittsburg district, and therefore our interests being separated you are not qualified fairly to say what our rates should be."

Taylor expressed the opinion that the Interstate Commerce Commission was the only source from which a fair adjustment of the rat ecould be obtained. Personally he felt that a 50 cent rate was right.

G. M. Frear, the traffic expert of Columbus, O., was continued for a few moments this morning, analyzing the tables as to distances, mileage, etc., from the coal fields at issue in this proceeding. Carroll D. Davis was on the stand to show the financial transaction by which the defendant railroads acquired West Virginia coal lands. His testimony showed that the Pittsburg & Lake Erie and other carriers controlled coal lands in West Virginia.

W. T. Field, president of the Pittsburg Coal Company, was on the stand a few moments just before adjournment for the day.

In accounting for an increase in his company's last year's tonnage to the Lakes, he said it marketed 1,000,000 tons because of a strike in Canada. Outside of the company's long time contracts, which it was compelled to fill it had no markets in the Lake trade. The adjustment of the rate as asked for would benefit the Pittsburg district.

The Final Testimony.

John W. Boileau, who made the original complainant on behalf of the independent operators of the Pittsburg district, feels that his side has made out a good case in support of its contention that the 88-cent freight rate on Lake cargo coal from the Pittsburg district is excessive per se and discriminatory as compared with the rates granted the coal operators of the West Virginia and Kentucky fields. The officers of the Pittsburg Coal Company, which joined the independent operators later, also feel a showing has been made that will induce the Interstate Commerce Commission to grant the coal producers of the Pittsburg district the reduction they ask on Lake cargo coal.

Before closing the case of the complainants, Commissioner Meyer permitted James P. Geegan, General Manager of the Clyde Coal Company, to give testimony tending to show that his company was being charged excessive rate on Lake cargo coal. The mines of the Clyde company are in the southwestern part of Washington county. Geologically, these mines are in the Pittsburg district, but for rate-making purposes the railroads consider them in the Fairmont, W. Va., district, and charge the Fairmont rate of 97 cents a ton.

The Clyde company has complained to the commission, contending that it should be considered in the Pittsburg district and get the same rate to the Lakes as Pittsburg district coal. Geegan said that mines within three miles of mines of the Clyde company were considered as in the Pittsburg district and he contended that the area should be extended.

The Pittsburg case was closed with the testimony of J. Muller, an expert accountant, formerly connected with the Interstate Commerce Commission. He believes in the mileage basis theory of making freight rates, and he submitted a series of tables. From these he calculated that if there were no back-haul the rate from the West Virginia fields should be $1.20 a ton to the Lake, and that from the Pittsburg district to the Lake the rate should be 42 cents a ton.

ANDREW CARNEGIE SATURDAY CELEBRATES HIS BIRTHDAY.

"Laird of Skibo" 75 Years Old and in Good Health—Gave $25,000,000 Away This Month.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Andrew Carnegie, capitalist, philanthropist, author and philosopher, entered upon his seventy-fifth year today, having been born in Dumfermline, Scotland, November 25, 1837. He is in good health, as well as he has felt in years, as he declared upon his arrival home recently after his summer vacation in his native Scotland.

This month Mr. Carnegie turned over $25,000,000 to the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the body incorporated by the Legislature last June to take over Carnegie's work in connection with educational institutions, libraries and hero funds. The former steelmaster has given away a total of $222,000,000 of his colossal fortune and declares he is still ready to give.

Last night he told stories about himself to the members of young John D. Rockefeller's Bible class. He told of his love for Shakespeare and how once, when a messenger boy, he had neglected his work to attend a Shakespearian performance. He learned many quotations from the bard, especially those "that permitted me to use the word 'Hell' at the top of my voice."

Mr. Carnegie credited Shakespeare with his success in life, and said he was determined to spend the rest of his life in disposing of his wealth. He advised the boys to be "keen in your dreams."

ENLARGING YARD

B. & O. Will Have One of Largest in Count at Brunswick, Md.

The freight terminal of the Baltimore & Ohio at Brunswick, Md., is being enlarged by the construction of 25 additional tracks for the classification of westbound freight, which will accommodate 920 additional cars, increasing the yard from 6,590 to 7,502, and thereby making it one of the largest freight terminals in the country. The enlargement of the yard necessitated moving the westbound main track about 70 feet to the north, at the east entrance of the yard, starting 2,500 feet east from the entrance and making room for two receiving tracks.

The yard is being constructed on the gravity plan, consisting of a "hump" with a rise of 11 feet at the summit, with an ascending grade 2 per cent and a descending grade of 3 per cent. The tracks in the yard are being laid in 13 foot centers, the same as on the main tracks. The yard tracks are being laid with 85-pound rail, and the main tracks are constructed with rail weighing 100 pounds to the yard.

An interlocking tower, 15x24 feet in dimensions, is being erected at the east end of the work, controlling all switches with an improved interlocking plant.

The enlargement of the yard at Brunswick is part of the Baltimore & Ohio program of increasing facilities to promptly handle traffic offered.

To Build Railroad.

The Summit Coal Company of Leechburg plans the construction of another railroad branch from the B. R. & P. main line to Dayton. It will develop the 700 acre coal field recently acquired by the company.

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LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Nov. 25, 1911.

Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
259	189	Acme	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
98	.....	Acme	Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
375	206	Adelaide	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
356	160	Alverton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
307	286	Banning	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
152	150	Beatty	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
120	.....	Bethany	Majestic Coke Co.	Uniontown
300	240	Bitner	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
86	.....	Bourne	Wharton Furnace Co.	Uniontown
120	120	Boyer	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
240	200	Brinkerton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
298	150	Buckeye	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Company	Mt. Pleasant
260	180	Calumet	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
72	.....	Carolyn	Peerless-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
303	240	Central	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
54	54	Chester	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
150	150	Clara	Clara Coke Co.	Greensburg
108	30	Clarissa	James Cochran Some Co.	Dawson
120	.....	Colbrook	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	310	Collier	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	340	Continental No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
326	240	Continental No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	210	Continental No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
120	.....	Crossland	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
232	210	Davidson	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	.....	Dexter	J. R. Stauffer & Co.	Scottdale
230	160	Dorothy	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	20	Ellen No. 1	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
60	30	Ellen No. 2	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
80	60	Elizabeth	Unity-Connellsville Coke Co.	Greensburg
216	168	Elm Grove	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
125	110	Fort Hill	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
50	40	Franklin	H. P. Krister & Co.	Scottdale
101	.....	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
150	120	Grace	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
272	160	Hecla No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
600	320	Hecla No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Hecla No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Hester	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
60	.....	Henry Clay	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
325	325	Hostetter	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Humphrey	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
350	300	Juniata	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Junction	Marietta-Ganter Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
200	235	Kyle	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
199	400	Leisenring No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
456	440	Leisenring No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
602	400	Leisenring No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
304	240	Leith	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
327	220	Lemont No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
336	250	Lemont No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	.....	Little Sunshine	King Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	.....	Love	O'ville-Mutual Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
40	40	Mayer	Mayer Coke Co.	Uniontown
617	460	Mammoth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	320	Marguerite	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
25	25	Marion	Marion Coke Co.	Connellsville
165	112	Morgan	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
371	142	Mt. Braddock	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
310	310	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg, Pa.
195	.....	Mutual	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
32	.....	Myers	Brownfield-C'ville Coke Co.	Uniontown
329	329	Nellie	Brown & Cochran	Dawson
251	250	Oliphant	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
328	320	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
490	300	Oliver No. 2	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Oliver No. 3	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
218	60	Painter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
256	250	Pearl	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
98	.....	Pennsville	Pennsville Coke Co.	Pennsville
15	.....	Perry	Marietta & Stillwagon	Perry
400	320	Phillips	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Rainey	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
445	360	Redstone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
650	264	Revere	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
26	.....	Sagger	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
110	60	Semet-Solvay	Dunbar Furnace Co.	Dunbar
42	.....	Shannon	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
76	58	Shirey	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
447	296	Shoaf	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
425	400	Southwest No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	100	Southwest No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
205	150	Southwest No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
61	61	Spring Grove	Cochran Bros.	Dawson
960	556	Standard	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	20	Sterling No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
136	.....	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
136	.....	Summit	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	.....	Thomas	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
48	48	Tip Top	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
484	280	Trotter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	.....	Union	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
380	300	United	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
350	120	Valley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
80	80	Veteran	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
200	.....	White	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
362	216	Whitney	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	240	Wynn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
500	400	Yorkrun	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
241	200	Youngstown	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg

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United States Steel Corporation Has No Monopoly of the Steel Trade.

In connection with the table of production of steel products, issued by the American Iron & Steel Association, published a few days ago, The Bulletin says:

The table clearly shows that the United States Steel Corporation does not now have a monopoly in any branch of our iron and steel industries and never did have, and that its proportion of the country's total production in 1910 was much less than in 1902, with a single exception. The growth in production in the meantime by the independent manufacturers of coke, pig iron, steel ingots and castings, structural shapes, plates and sheets, wire nails and tin plates is especially noticeable; so also is the growth of the independents in the mining and shipments of iron ore. The independents shipped from the Lake Superior region in 1910 almost twice as much iron ore as they shipped in 1902. In 1910 they made twice as many tons of steel ingots and castings and rolled twice as many tons of structural shapes and plates and sheets as they rolled in 1902, while in 1910 their output of tin plates was virtually three times as much as it was in 1902. Below we present a summary in porcentages of the facts established by the table for the years 1902 and 1910:

	—1902—		—1910—	
U. S. Shipments.	U. S. Steel.	Merchant.	U. S. Steel.	Merchant.
Iron ore	45.2	54.8	44.4	55.6
Coke	37.5	62.5	32.7	67.3
Pig iron	44.8	55.2	43.5	56.5
Crude steel	65.2	34.8	54.3	45.7
Steel rails	67.7	32.3	58.8	41.2
Structural shapes	57.0	42.1	51.3	48.7
Plates and sheets	59.4	40.6	48.0	52.0
Wire rods	71.6	28.4	67.5	32.5
Miscellaneous rolled	31.2	68.8	37.0	62.7
Finished rolled	51.3	48.7	48.1	51.9
Wire nails	44.9	55.1	55.4	44.6
Tin and terne plates	73.4	26.6	61.0	39.0

With but one exception the above table shows a decrease in the percentage of production by the Corporation in 1910 as compared with 1902, and a corresponding increase in production by the independent companies.

In 1902 the production of the Tennessee company is included with that of the independent companies, but in 1910 its production is included with that of the Steel Corporation. In 1902 it made 5.9 per cent of the production of pig iron by the independents and it made 3.19 per cent of the production of steel ingots and castings.

PENNSY OFFICALS

Will Appear Before Council on Proposed Improvements Here.

From Johnstown comes a report that the West Penn interests may be behind a move to connect Blairsville and Johnstown by trolley, and eventually construct the 10 mile connecting link between Latrobe and Blairsville, giving the Flood City trolley connection the entire distance to Pittsburg. The only flaw in the story is that Latrobe has yet to be connected with Greensburg or the main line of the West Penn.

Officials of the West Penn at this place know nothing, they said, of the project. According to the Johnstown story it would be necessary to build a line 25 or 30 miles in length between Blairsville and Johnstown, and another 10 miles to connect Latrobe and Indiana. Indiana and Blairsville have trolley communication.

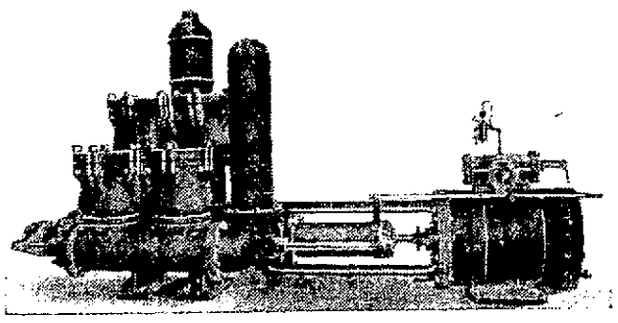
The same story says the West Penn plans to invade the rich field offered in Somerset county for electric light and trolley business. Not content with connecting Johnstown and Blairsville, the Johnstown writer also conceives, in the dim distant future, a trolley extending eastward as far as Altoona.

Running on Double Time.

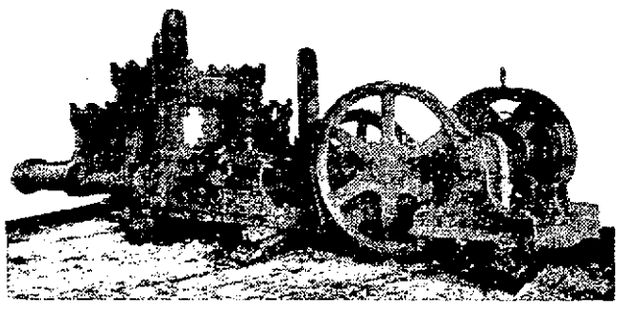
The National Glass Brick Company went on double time Monday and expects to double its force as rapidly as possible. Twenty-five additional men are needed.

As soon as possible the factory will be operated to its utmost capacity of 20,000 bricks per day.

YOUGH PUMPS



Size: 24"x12"x36" Wood Lined Double Plunger Mine Pump, Valve Chambers wood and lead lined



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HUGH COLL, VETERAN COKE MAN, IS DEAD

Typhoid Fever, Followed by Peritonitis, was the Cause.

HE HAD LIVED AN ACTIVE LIFE

Came to This Country From Ireland When But a Boy and Rose High in the Ranks of the Frick Company's Service—Expert in Mechanics

Hugh Coll a retired official of the H C Frick Coke Company and one of the most prominent figures in the Connellsville region for years died Tuesday night at 10 o'clock at his home near Easton Md Typhoid fever followed by peritonitis was the cause of death Mr Coll was 73 years of age He will be buried at Easton on Friday morning at 10 o'clock

Mr Coll's death was not unexpected and the members of the family had gathered at the Easton home upon being notified of his serious illness His death will be a severe shock to his many friends in this section both among the veteran Frick company employes and others He resided in Connellsville for many years prior to his removal to a farm near Easton about four years ago

Few men have played a greater part in the development of the Connellsville coking industry than Hugh Coll He became connected with the H C Frick Coke Company during its infancy rose to a position of great responsibility and retired from active service only after he had achieved a great end that of placing the great corporation in a position where no longer it could be crippled by severe drouths Few people besides those directly connected with the coke business realize the importance of a good water supply and as the head of water system of the H C Frick Coke Company Mr Coll supervised the construction of its present magnificent system by which the waters of the Youghiogheny are piped to all parts of the region insuring an abundance of pure water at all times

Truly picturesque is the history of this familiar figure in the coke region who has just passed into the great beyond He was one of the big men of the industry Coming from Ireland when but a boy he accumulated a comfortable fortune when still young only to have it swept away in the panic of 1877 He started over anew and up to the time of his retirement had acquired a comfortable competence which enabled him to gain at least a few years of rest and enjoyment on the pretty Eastern Shore farm which he had purchased

It was 73 years ago that Mr Coll was born in Ireland the son of Mr and Mrs Charles Coll deceased When the family emigrated to this country they located in Pittsburg and it was in the embryo workshop of the world that he spent his boyhood days He learned the trade of a machinist Not only was he a diligent worker but he became an expert in his line He rose to be foreman of several of the largest machine shops of Pittsburg This was just at the time that George Westinghouse was conceiving the air brake which was to later revolutionize steam transportation Mr Coll was foreman in the shop where parts for the newly devised machinery were made These parts were made by Atwood & McCaffery as near as could be learned and the intelligence and adeptness of the young foreman was largely responsible for the success of those first experiments of Westinghouse

In the early seventies Mr Coll turned his attention to the development of several patents which he had designed He had secured patents on several mechanical devices and pumps he most successful of these was the Coll syphon pump which came into general use on steamboats Through these inventions and other activities Mr Coll accumulated the comfortable fortune which the panic of 18 7 swept away

Far from discouraged Mr Coll sought the country to recuperate his financial losses It was between 1877 and 1880 that he purchased a farm in Beaver county near the Ohio State line and moved his family from Pittsburg For eight years the family resided there but in the meantime Mr Coll had taken a position with the H C Frick Coke Company then in its infancy He was located first at Valley works His reputation as a thorough machinist had already reached the ears of Henry C Frick who then was dreaming dreams of the big combination of coke manufacturers that was being worked out to a reality Mr Coll was transferred to Broad Ford where the family moved about 1886 From then until 1892 or 1893 the family lived at Broad Ford In the latter year Mr Coll purchased the old Galloway residence and a plot of ground on Cedar avenue He and his family lived there until about four years ago when they moved to Easton Md the present home

In his early days Mr Coll was a member of Pittsburg's first volunteer fire department He took an active interest in politics He was always a Democrat

In the service of the Frick company Mr Coll rose rapidly and was soon placed in charge of all the machinery He early recognized the importance of a good water system and it was largely due to his insistence that early steps were taken in the construction of an efficient service He was the guiding spirit in the construction of the first water system from Broad Ford to Mount Pleasant Then came the Trotter water plant which he directed and the last he extension of the system from the Youghiogheny river to a point south of Uniontown He was superintendent of the water system of the company

Mr Coll married Miss Catherine McKenna a niece of Mr and Mrs Charles McKenna of Pittsburg Mrs Coll was a cousin of Thomas Lynch president of the H C Frick Coke Company He is survived by his widow and the following children Charles Coll general manager of the Acadia Coal Company Stellarton Nova Scotia Dr H J Coll Connellsville Susan Sister M Eulalia of the Mercy Order Cresson Pa Raymond S Coll city editor of The Courier Connellsville Aloysius Coll writer and journalist at home Harry E Coll manager of a coal company in the province of Alberta Canada Catherine and Sara Coll at home and Dr Thomas L Coll of Cambridge Md One daughter Nelly wife of Dr R B Dawson of Beaver is dead One sister Mrs Harry Lewis of Pittsburg also survives

Mr Coll was a member of the Immaculate Conception church of Connellsville

SAYS TRAFFIC WARRANTS LAKE ERIE SHIP CANAL

Col Newcomer's Report Shows the Importance of This Big Undertaking in Handling Big Tonnage

WASHINGTON D C Nov 27—Two proposed canals ranking with the longest ever constructed by the government in this country will be dealt with in the forthcoming report to Congress of the National Waterways Commission of which Senator Burton of Ohio is chairman

One of these waterways is designed to connect Lake Erie from a point in northeastern Ohio with Ohio River navigation at Pittsburg The other is projected to extend from Toledo Ohio by way of Fort Wayne Ind, to Michigan City on Lake Michigan

Report as to the character of both routes recording the result of investigation by members of the army engineer corps have been placed in the hands of the commission The commission is composed of Senators and Representatives

In the report on the canal from Lake Erie to Pittsburg Lieutenant Colonel Newcomer corps of engineers said the cost of construction would be more than $50 000 000 Under the existing freight rates for the transportation by rail of iron ore and coal between the Pittsburg district and Lake Erie it is believed by its promoters there would be sufficient traffic on the canal in these two commodities to pay a reasonable rate on the capital required for construction It is thought the movement of about 21 000 000 tons of ore shipped from the lake to the Pittsburg and other districts immediately tributary to the canal and about 13 000,000 tons of coal shipped from the Pittsburg district to the lake, are conservative estimates for the present movements of these commodities

There is no other route in the country Lieutenant Newcomer says where the existing commerce is so favorable for the development of a heavy canal traffic and there is reason to expect a still larger development in the future

The proposition before the National Waterways Commission is that the communities interested will provide the funds necessary for the construction of the canal and that the Government shall have the work planned and built under the supervision of Government engineers

COPPER IN APPALACHIANS

Mines and Deposits Described in Report By Geological Survey

"Copper deposits of the Appalachian States by Walter Harvey Weed of the United States Geological Survey is the title of Bulletin 455 just issued by the survey Copper ores are found and copper mining has for some time been carried on in many localities in the mountainous region of eastern North America, from Canada to Alabama The availability of the deposits as a source of copper is frequently discussed but there are at present but few producing mines Mr Weed states that as the geology of the region is complex the question of genesis is of peculiar importance for it involves the value and extent of the deposits Much money and time have been fruitlessly expended because the operator was not familiar with the region and the geologic relations of the rocks on the property he was exploiting

The report summarized existing information concerning all the newest copper properties of the Appalachian region including the Piedmont area east of the mountains The copper deposits of the Appalachian States Mr Weed says are not great producers but as they are used as the basis of mining ventures it is a matter of considerable interest to know whether there is any reasonable hope for the ultimate return of money invested from year to year in more or less unsatisfactory attempts to develop them The bulletin gives a geographic grouping of the facts to facilitate reference especially by engineers interested in looking up the deposits of any particular locality or region

A copy of this bulletin may be obtained on application to the Director of the Geological Survey Washington D C

RECENT PATENTS

Are Reported for The Courier by W G. Doolittle

The following patents are reported by W G Doolittle patent attorney of Pittsburg, as having been awarded at Washington

Automatic regulator for coal chutes William N White Fortsfort Pa No 1 008 684

Coke oven Arthur O Jones Whitley Bay Eng and No 1 008 719

Mining tool Austin W Harris Tipton Ind No 1 008 815

Mine jack Charles A Miller Connellsville Pa assignor of one half to John J Malloy Connellsville Pa No 1 009 040

Metal gangway support for mines George H Larbour Pittsburg Pa No 1 009 [illegible]

Shipments Increase

For the first time in many weeks the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad and Coal Company was able to report an increase in coal tonnage last week over a year ago The shipments were 26 16 tons a gain of 4 tons For the year to date the tonnage has been 9 [illegible] tons a decrease of 1[illegible] tons

Rolling Mill Starts

The [illegible] Steel & Iron Company yesterday put 14 furnaces in operation in the rolling mill after five months layoff

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107		Allison No 1	W J Rainey	New York
40	10	Anica	Kline & Wilkey Coke Co	Uniontown
32		Annamyra	John R. Carothers	Uniontown
139		Atcheson	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Cans
25		Baxter Ridge	Baxter Ridge Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
100		Bridgeport	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
470	140	Brier Hill	Brier Hill Coke Co	Brier Hill
[illegible]		Browning	Browning Coke Co	Uniontown
50	28	Brownsville	Brownsville Coke Co	Uniontown
426	[illegible]	Buffington	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
34	1[illegible]	Bu chinal	Smithfield Coal & Coke Co	Smithfield
20[illegible]	0	Century	Century Coke Co	Brownsville
40		Champion	Champion Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
24		Coffman	South Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
500	3[illegible]0	Colonial No 1	Colonial Coke Co	Pittsburg
100	1[illegible]	Colonial No. 3	Colonial Coke Co	Pittsburg
[illegible]00	200	Colonial No. 4	Colonial Coke Co	Pittsburg
142	1[illegible]	Cyrilla	Rocks Coal & Coke Co	Masontown
20	[illegible]	Crystal	United Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
[illegible]50	[illegible]0	Dearth	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
152	1[illegible]	Donald No 1	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
240	[illegible]0	Donald No. 2	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
100	100	Donald No 3	Consolidated C'ville Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
30	[illegible]0	Dorothea	Iron City Coal & Coke Co	Pittsburg
14		Dorothy	Jacobs Creek Coke Co	Uniontown
[illegible]		Dunn	Dunn Connellsville Coke Co	Brownsville
500	[illegible]0	Edenborn	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
143	1[illegible]5	Edna	Waltersburg Coke Co	Uniontown
[illegible]	182	Eleanor	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Masontown
52		Emory	South Fayette Coke Co	Masontown
200	[illegible]00	Fairbank	Struthers Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
32	32	Finley	Jas Byrne & Co	Uniontown
400	[illegible]00	Footedale	H C Frick Coke Co	Scottdale
[illegible]00	200	Francis No 1	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Pittsburg
50	50	Francis No	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Masontown
80		Fraz[illegible]	South Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
1[illegible]0	57	Carwood	Dunlap Connellsville Coke Co	Connellsville
8		Genuine	Genuine Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
100	[illegible]7	Griffin Nos. 1 & 2	Bessemer Coke Co	Pittsburg
[illegible]10	210	Herbert	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
[illegible]		Hilltop	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Masontown
4	[illegible]	Hoover	James H Hoover	McClellandtown
28	31	Hope	Hope Coke Co	Uniontown
100	9	Hustead	Hustead Semans Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
130		Isabella	Isabella Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
140	[illegible]	Katherine	[illegible] Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
200		LaBelle	Labelle Coke Co	Labelle
220	220	Lafayette	Atlas Coke Co	Helen
462	[illegible]10	Lambert	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
516	266	Leckrone	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
30		Leon	Franklin Coke Co	Uniontown
400	400	Lincoln	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
250	2[illegible]0	Low Phos	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
40		Madison	United Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
[illegible]	[illegible]	Marion	Southern Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
311	[illegible]44	Martin	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Youngstown O
202		McKeefrey	McKeefrey Coal Co	Leetonia, Ohio
25[illegible]	12	Millsboro	Bessemer Coke Co	Pittsburg
150	1[illegible]0	Mt. Hope	Mt. Hope Coke Co	Uniontown
60		Murphy	Echard Coal & Coke Co	Star Junction
30		Newcomer	Newcomer Coke Co	Newcomer
60	60	Old Home	W J Parshall	Uniontown
480	2[illegible]0	Orient	Orient Coke Co	Uniontown
34	3[illegible]	Parshall No. 1	Puritan Coke Co	Uniontown
168	16[illegible]	Parshall No. 2	Puritan Coke Co	Uniontown
[illegible]		Perry	Perry Coke Co	Pittsburg
[illegible]		Plumer	Plumer Coke Co	Uniontown
400	400	Republic	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Uniontown
150	7[illegible]	Rich Hill	Rich Hill Coal & Coke Co	Outcrop
250	[illegible]	Rostraver	H C Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
3[illegible]3	1[illegible]	Royal	W J Rainey	New York, N Y
[illegible]	[illegible]0	Searight	Taylor Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
200	[illegible]0	Shamrock	Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
1[illegible]0	[illegible]0	Solon	Prospect Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
200	220	Sterling	Consolidated C'ville Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
400	2[illegible]0	Thompson No. 1	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	170	Thompson No. 2	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
2[illegible]	2[illegible]7	Tower Hill No. 1	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
[illegible]04	[illegible]04	Tower Hill No. 2	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	[illegible]60	Washington No. 1	Washington Coal & Coke Co	Dawson
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NOTES FROM OTHER REGIONS.

The report of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company shows that during the past year there were 9[illegible] tons less of coal used in the manufacture of coke and 151 14[illegible] tons less sold to consumers than the year previous

The Blacklick Mining Company of Cambria county expects to start soon on the erection of a plant 100 feet long and two trains of 100 tons capacity each The output of the plant will be increased by about 1 000 tons a day

An inquiry calling for the making and delivery of 1 000 all steel hoppers gondola cars has been placed by the Pittsburg Coal Company the same company also wants prices on 1 000 all steel coal cars to replace some of its wornout rolling stock

The Penn Mary Coal Company at Heilwood has organized a first aid corps

Dr Fred Shaw of Penn [illegible] claims to have invented a substitute for coal He places an inexpensive [illegible] in the [illegible] the Brebox and [illegible] which [illegible] tense heat [illegible] much per ton as coal but cost burn out

The State Bureau of Industrial Statistics has issued a report showing the employment of 1 [illegible] natives 3[illegible] 4[illegible] foreigners and 6 8[illegible] negroes in the anthracite region

It is said that the strike at Amsbry will result in the abandonment of the mining industry there

According to the reports of the United States Geological Survey there are a number of anthracite coal beds in Colorado New Mexico Montana and Washington but all the great anthracite deposits in Pennsylvania

The increase in last year's production of coal over that of 1[illegible]—10 [illegible] 62 tons is equal to nearly three times the total annual production of the United States at the beginning of the Civil War according to the figures of the United States Geological Survey

School of Mining Organized

A school of mining was organized among the employes of the Pittsburg Coal Company at West Newton recently J R McMullin was chosen president James Brown vice president and William Yeager secretary and treasurer Mine Foreman James Absalom will supervise the technical part of the course of study

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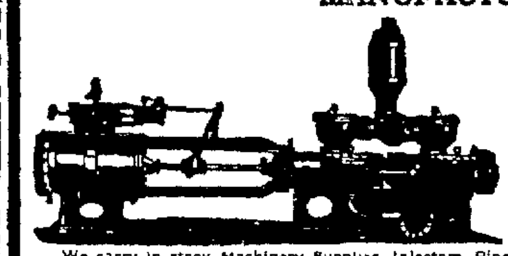

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AMICABLE ADJUSTMENT OF COKE FREIGHT RATES

While the Pittsburg coal operators and the Connellsville coke producers are fighting the railroads for equitable freight rates before the Interstate Commerce Commission the iron and steel interests are trying to secure from the railroads by amicable conference and argument lower rates on ore and coke.

It is therefore, possible that the contention of the Connellsville coke operators may be partially or wholly conceded before their case has been presented to the Washington authorities. To this happy conclusion we take it that the Connellsville coke operators will file no serious objections, provided always that their present demands are respected in such settlement.

The inducement held out by the steel interest is lower prices on rails. Large orders have already been placed by the railroads at the long-established price of $28 per ton, and a suggestion on the part of the buyers that this rate should be reduced was met with the rejoinder that the railroads had not yet offered to reduce freight rates on the raw materials mentioned.

A horizontal reduction in coke freight rates will not be of any material benefit to the merchant operators of the Connellsville region. The coke tariff, like the coal tariff is inequitable and discriminatory. It favors the West Virginia coke regions at the expense of the Connellsville region. Its readjustment without disturbing its present ratios would benefit the consumer, but it is not likely that it would better the condition of the Connellsville producers.

POSING AS THE FRIEND OF THE PEOPLE.

The defense of the carriers in the Pittsburg coal rate case took a new tack yesterday when the railroad attorneys wanted to know whether the low freight rates from the West Virginia regions have not made coal cheaper to Lake port and Northwestern consumers.

This was frankly admitted by the Pittsburg operators but they countered upon the railroads by declaring that the burden of this happy condition in the consuming territory fell upon them alone, and that the railroads had in nowise contributed thereto.

They might have added that the railroads are now openly desirous of increasing the West Virginia rates rather than lowering the Pittsburg rate. This does not argue any sympathy for the consumer and the attempt of the carriers to pose as the particular friend of the people was lamentably lame.

WHERE PROSPERITY CAN'T BE KEPT OUT

The newspapers of some communities deem it to be their duty, and incidentally their interest, to boost the industries of their immediate environment and to stab with deadly hatred the business and prosperity of every other community especially if that community is a neighboring one.

Such a policy is simply suicidal. There is a direct and positive community of interest between towns which are close to each other. The prosperity and growth of one reflects some measure of benefit to the others. The sun shines for all full and fair upon some, but always upon the others even if obliquely. The Monongahela Times has a lively appreciation of this commercial rule. It is published in a coal producing country yet it recognizes the fact that Monongahela is not devoid of interest in the Connellsville coke trade. It says:

The Connellsville Courier states the fact that addition [illegible] men are wanted at the Mt. Sterling mine of the Connellsville Consolidated mining plant in Fayette county. It further notes that the company is about to fire up additional ovens and that more men are wanted in order to keep up with the increased demand [illegible] the output of the company. The coke from this plant which has increased in efficiency because of the addition of a washer has given it continued orders all the year and now [illegible] at the mills are feeling the effects of increased orders due to the railroads heavy buying [illegible] will be necessary to add more men in order to keep up with the demands of the plant. All of this sounds very good to the merchant and business man because of the fact that the prospects of a dull period during a presidential year have been to a certain extent dissipated by the brightening of the business horizon. In this betterment of conditions the Monongahela valley will get its share and our local business men profit in the general prosperity which is bound to come.

The Times is quite right in assuming that the Monongahela Valley will get its proper share of the general prosperity which is bound to come and whose heralds are already sounding their trumpets. In the business world nothing begets prosperity more than confidence. In spite of the assaults of politicians interested in and mindful only of their personal ambitions, business confidence is growing, and it begins to look as if not even the frantic turmoil and the farcical tragedy of a Presidential campaign will stop Big Business from maintaining the Nation's Prosperity and the People's Happiness.

The recent demand of the Pittsburg coal operators and the Connellsville coke producers for more equitable freight rates on their commodities will, if granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission and there seems to be no doubt of a decision to that tenor and effect stimulate in a marked degree the business of these regions.

Neither the exigencies of politics nor the discriminations of special interests can keep prosperity from the doors of the Connellsville coke region and the Pittsburg coal field. Both are too good and too big to be kept under the cover of profitless endeavor.

A NEW COMBINATION IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE?

The United Mine Workers are reported to have amalgamated themselves with the Western Federation of Miners. This is a union of conflicting interests which will come to no good end. The Western Federation is composed of gold silver and copper miners having nothing in common with the United Mine Workers which is composed wholly of coal miners and whose industrial interests bear no immediate or sympathetic relation with those of the western miners.

Then there is the danger of forming a combination in restraint of trade. The Government is sternly restricting the movements of Capital along this line, and it is only fair to assume that it will adopt the same policy with regard to labor.

TWO FIRES AND THEIR LESSONS

Connellsville had two fires last night and each points a separate moral.

The destruction of a three story livery stable caused by fire which started on its top floor where the hay supply was stored, and which for a time threatened a considerable portion of the town with conflagration emphasizes the need of additional fire fighting apparatus. This need has been suggested before but it has never been acted upon possibly because of the old adage "Sufficient for the evil is the day thereof." This rule however is a poor one for this particular purpose.

The fire department should be equipped with ladders and hose towers of sufficient capacity to reach our tallest buildings and their purchase should no longer be delayed. It should also be the duty of the borough authorities to see that the hose equipment is always ample in quantity and excellent in quality.

The other fire was not so serious but it might have been even more so. It emphasizes the importance of proper fire exits in all places of amusement and the strict enforcement of the law requiring such exits to be unlocked and unbarred during performances.

Fire in such a devouring element that it behooves everybody and especially the authorities to see that its dangers are never trifled with.

NEW LOCATION FOR NEW FIRE HOUSE

The suggestion that the inaccessible end of West Fairview avenue be vacated and a fire house be built there is worthy of the serious consideration of the Town Council.

The street is of no use to the public, and it is impossible of being improved without enormous damage to adjacent and valuable property. It might as well be put to some good public use and this will be a good public use.

This location is perhaps the best available for the prompt answer of fire alarms. It is within easy striking distance of the highest points in the own and convenient and almost wholly down grade to all other points. The present location of the fire house is too far away for a hurry call to the Pinnacle district and it is open to the further objection of being sometimes blocked by Pennsylvania freight trains. Even the proposed location on the City Hall Square makes a long hard pull to the higher portions of the town and usually almost winds the horses and the men.

Time is perhaps the most important element in fighting fire. The quicker the fire department can get on the ground the better able it is to extinguish the flames thus reducing to a minimum the amount of damage and the limit of danger.

THE INEQUITABLE RADIUS RULE

The conclusion of the Pittsburg coal rate case leave little doubt in the minds of close observers that the complainant has made out a good case. The evidences of gross discrimination were too many and too positive to be explained away or sworn out of court.

Incidentally the Pittsburg forty mile radius was brought into the limelight on the last day of the hearing. This is a matter of much interest to the Connellsville coke trade and the industries generally of Connellsville and the coke region. The Pittsburg radius leans upon us but lends us none of the warmth and encouragement of its lower freight rates. The forty mile radius is quite as arbitrary and unjust as many of the railroad rates in the good old grafting times when lissing went wholly by favor and favorable railroad rates always had to be liberally greased before they would properly work.

The business interests of the Connellsville coke region will be highly gratified if out of this complaint of the Pittsburg district coal operators there will come an equitable adjustment of the inequitable radius rule.

The Governor of Oregon won't permit any more hangings during his term. He announces himself as a Commuter on the Rope line. Whether this tender hearted and optimistic official will give medals to murderers after commuting their death sentences is not stated but the announcement would not be surprising.

The damming of the Yough has actually begun. There is nothing like sustained endeavor in the work of getting Government improvement.

California Is Trying Out Her Women Juries.

Why Pittsburg Coal Operators Should Have Lower Rates.

THE PITTSBURG COAL RATE CASE IS PROVEN

The extent and iniquity of the railroad discrimination against the Pittsburg operators in the matter of Lake coal trade was developed so plainly in yesterday's hearing that the hitherto uninformed public will probably wonder why the victims of this rank injustice did no sooner enter an effective protest.

This is especially true of the Pittsburg Coal Company which is by far the largest operating interest in the Pittsburg district. It permitted these proceedings to be initiated by a representative of the smaller operators and afterwards came in as an Intervener. This tardy assertion of this big company's rights and equities can be explained only on the hypothesis that its management feared to fight the railroads lest the latter should make their condition more unendurable than ever.

The testimony of the Sales Manager and the Traffic Manager of the Pittsburg Coal Company reveals a [illegible] state of things in coal rates to the Lakes. It shows that the railroads have practically delivered one of the greatest natural markets of the Pittsburg district over to the West Virginia and Kentucky coal interests and that the latter has been enabled to practically absorb the Lake trade at a handsome profit to themselves while the Pittsburg operators cannot get into it except on profitless terms.

The surprising statement was made that the Pittsburg Coal Company had contracts for 2,500,000 tons annually for a number of years at prices which with the excessive and discriminatory freight rates charged by the railroads are being filled at an actual loss. It was also developed that after having spent $1,000,000 on docking facilities at the head of Lake Superior the West Virginia operators through railroad favoritism have taken over the copper region trade of the Pittsburg Coal Company.

If there has been any doubt in the minds of the Interstate Commerce Commissioners as to the iniquity of the present freight rates on Lake coal from these competing regions the testimony of yesterday ought to effectually remove it.

The only point remaining to be determined we take it is whether the Pittsburg rate shall be lowered or the West Virginia and Kentucky rate increased and in what proportion.

THE UNFAIRNESS OF THE FORTY MILE RADIUS

The Pittsburg coal operators charge that the railroad discrimination against their region is not confined to Lake coal shipments but that it includes Eastern and tidewater shipments also. They allege that the Greensburg district but thirty five miles eastward, is given a rate of 15 cents per ton less than is charged the Pittsburg district.

It is also a part of the testimony that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company owns the Keystone Coal Company one of the chief beneficiaries of this practical rebate. It does not appear however that this assertion is backed up by any further evidence than the bare statement of the witness. The Keystone Coal Company is reputed in this region to be owned principally by the Huffs. It was organized and for many years more or less actively managed by Geo. Franklin Huff then a close friend and ardent supporter of the Pennsylvania railroad and according to railroad custom at that time in a position to [illegible] substantial favor in the matter of freight rates. It is possible that this favor was at that time extended and has remained undisturbed for the reason that the Keystone company has under its benign influence made extensive developments and built up a large eastern trade whose long haul represents considerable revenue to the Pennsylvania's main line.

As we have heretofore stated how ever equitable freight rates should be computed on the ton mile basis and regulated accordingly. Traffic zones are perhaps permissible if they are not too broad. The Pittsburg radius is an example of a common form of discrimination. Within a radius of forty miles the freight rates are the same as those out of and into the city of Pittsburg. The Connellsville coke region rubs elbows with this forty mile radius but it is not within it and does not enjoy its rates nor does any of our many manufacturing industries in Connellsville and the coke region. A part of the Pittsburg coal region is within the radius and a portion is without. Certain Washington county mines are within the ring circle and others near the Greene county line and all the rich undeveloped Greene county coal are arbitrarily discriminated against.

The forty mile radius is forty times unfair and should be shorn of its favoritism by the regulating powers.

THE WATER FEATURE OF THE COAL RATE CASE

The testimony adduced yesterday in the case of John W. [illegible] representing the Pittsburg district coal operators against the Pittsburg district railroad interests charging them with practising discrimination against the Pittsburg district and unduly and unjustly favoring certain other coal districts notably those of West Virginia developed some facts which will fairly challenge the candor of doubtful propriety the proposed line of defense on the part of the railroads.

It will be remembered that the attorneys for the railroads several days ago in the cross examination of witnesses indicated that they would set up the counter charge that [illegible] water rates [illegible] Pennsylvania [illegible] could not [illegible] compete with cheap West Virginia [illegible] this [illegible] [illegible] was [illegible] by the [illegible] that [illegible] 1861 the Pennsylvania railroad interests added a [illegible] and $3,000,000 of water to the Fort Wayne road in one point and that within the past ten years the [illegible] coal carrying railroads have been paying 15, 25, 40 and even [illegible] dividends largely out of this growing and profitable traffic.

We might add [illegible] interesting [illegible] the [illegible] southwest Pennsylvania railroad which is the corporate name of the Pennsylvania lines in this region [illegible] [illegible] dividend [illegible] well [illegible] cash dividend. The commission [illegible] have been [illegible] [illegible] water question [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

It is [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Interstate Commerce Commission [illegible] [illegible] mining, the coal and coke rates.

A Scottdale pastor is embarking upon evangelistic work on his own account. Perhaps if all the pastors would follow his example there would be no need of gospel tents and spectacular religion and the resources financially and morally, of our towns would be conserved to themselves.

Pittsburg is in danger of losing its hump.

Henry Clay Beattie Jr. confessed at last. There was no miscarriage of justice in his case. He got just what was coming to him. Virginia justice is to be congratulated upon its unerring accuracy and its prompt execution.

Westmoreland county is reported to be suffering from an epidemic of broken jaws but there is no information to the effect that Hen Parties have been any more numerous than usual.

Connellsville is a Coke Center but it's not a "Coke" Town.

Connellsville's glass brick business is not a gold brick enterprise but its profits promise to be golden.

President Taft has renewed his acquaintance with his official desk and Congress will be getting a [illegible] letter soon.

Four-cent gas on five-year contracts is what gets Clarksburg [illegible] of its industries. [illegible] no wonder.

Virginia has a comparatively small coal area but it seems to be working it very industriously.

Warrior Stanley has turned aside for a moment from the steel corporation to make a desperate [illegible] with his falchion [illegible] at John D. in the Oil country.

The Frick veterans are gaining [illegible] we [illegible] losing in membership.

The Beef Barons who rushed to Chicago to get an Immunity Bath seem to have gotten it too hot water.

It seems that football involves a lot of [illegible] kicking on and off the field.

The West Penn betrays an ambition to annex Johnstown and connect it up with the Connellsville [illegible] Connellsville will have no objection and Johnstown will no doubt be content.

A [illegible] rule horse trades should have no [illegible] in court [illegible] is usually [illegible] of trades who are willing to take all the advantage of each other.

The Morgan Valley seems to be falling [illegible] physically [illegible] industrially. The [illegible] Chamber of Commerce and a Board of Trade.

[illegible] transparent [illegible] industrial activity.

The Garden of Eden is to be restored. It is doubtful whether all the [illegible] trees can be successfully replanted [illegible] the snakes [illegible] without much trouble.

Two changes in the Pennsylvania railroad schedule is too much.

AN INDUSTRIAL PEACE PROPOSITION

Andrew Carnegie Apostle of Peace and Advance Agent of Public Enlightenment advocates the establishment of an Industrial Court charged with the duty of enforcing fair prices and preventing extortion. He would have the employes of the Trusts become stockholders on a profit bearing plan in other words he would widely extend his original business proposition when he took his Young [illegible] into the bosom of his prosperity.

The proposition is not new. It has been suggested in other quarters. It has even been proposed in these columns. The demand for it grows out of the [illegible] of Big Business to regulate itself according to law and to know just what the law is. The deliverances on the subject by our courts have been far from unanimous.

If there is a single big corporation in this country that has earnestly endeavored to keep well within the law it has been the United States Steel Corporation yet a Democratic Congressional Committee is investigating it with a view of gathering political campaign material and a Republican Administration has begun its prosecution as a Combination in restraint of Trade in order to neutralize the action of the opposition.

Such things are detrimental to business and destructive to general prosperity. The demagogue tell the workingman that the Trusts are grinding him into the dust and that they must be destroyed but when the Temple of Industry is pulled down by the Sampson of Labor universal destruction will inevitably follow and no fact is perhaps better understood in this country by organized labor.

Furthermore organized labor cannot consistently dispute the right of Capital to combine for the extension of its interests the enlargement of its business the reduction of its fixed charges and the increase of its profits upon the same principles [illegible] labor unions are founded.

Corporations like labor unions have evidently come to stay and both should be reasonably regulated by law not persecuted for political or other selfish extraneous and harmful purposes.

The Industrial Court might furnish a reasonable remedy against the constant baiting of business.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BOYTS

In the death of Benjamin Franklin Boyts Connellsville has lost one of its best citizens. He cast his fortunes lot with us some thirty five years ago and during that period has been surpassed by none in public spirit and progressive policy. His allegiance to Connellsville was not temporary and temporizing, on the contrary it was loyal and lasting.

Colonel Boyts was no idler. The habits of industry abided with him to the end. He loved his work and took as much pride in it as he did in his neighbors and his community. In the hard struggle for fortune he was always close to the front but always calm and cool and out of the scramble and scrimmage he emerged self contained and successful.

Colonel Boyts was a soldier in the Civil War. It is a matter of record that he faced death on the battlefield with the same courage that he doubtless faced it when it finally conquered him.

In all humanity there are many things to commend and some to condemn but some men are worthy of special mention because their lives are worthy of emulation and inspiring to the rising generation. Such men deserve public honor and their examples stimulate good citizenship. Colonel Boyts was one of them. He lived his life after the admonition of that good gray poet William Cullen Bryant who said:

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[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.

If you love yourself and your neighbors who work in the stores you will heed the suggestion so freely made to do your Christmas shopping early. The habit of putting off Christmas buying until the last moment is highly unprofitable to both shoppers and store employes. Do it now and do it more comfortably. You will have a better time to select from and the prices will be no better at the eleventh hour when little selection will be left.

The Veritt [illegible] must Uncle John Rockefeller seem upon investigation to be devoid of merit. Another goose egg for Chairman Stanley.

[illegible] [illegible] themselves to national [illegible] interests.

Fayette county's [illegible] justifying its [illegible].

[illegible] attributes his [illegible] [illegible] that Andy has been more or less in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ladies and [illegible].

Jedediah Lanford [illegible] he should [illegible].

The moving picture shows won't be able to get insurance if they don't behave better.

The Thanksgiving turkey is reported to be reasonable [illegible] [illegible] we should be thankful.

The car buying boom grows.

Looking Backward.

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier.

Friday, November 25, 1881.

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[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] counties. The [illegible] [illegible] 000 [illegible].

[illegible] supply the Mexican market.

The [illegible] railroad has added a [illegible] [illegible] Stonerville [illegible] land court.

[illegible] parties are coming [illegible].

John [illegible] moved [illegible] to his new home [illegible] Apple [illegible].

[illegible] has completed the foundation [illegible] a new brick residence on Grave street.

The Connellsville [illegible] Car Company's [illegible] completed and is now occupying an extensive addition to its machine shops.

At the regular meeting of Town Council Burgess Kurtz submitted his report showing [illegible] during the past year cash collections of $[illegible] and expenditures [illegible].

Friday, November 20, 1891.

A wild windstorm sweeps over the county carrying ruin in its path.

[illegible] & O. officials inspect the shops and [illegible] and [illegible] new buildings are needed.

Coal production was 119,[illegible] tons. [illegible] ovens active and 4,4[illegible] idle. Shipments aggregated [illegible] cars.

Mr. [illegible] will give a charity tea at her [illegible] Main street residence.

[illegible] report shows an enrollment for the month of 889. New studies have been added in Room No. 12 [illegible] Latin General History English History Botany and Natural History. Connellsville [illegible] best High School in the county. The prospective candidates for graduation [illegible] Blanche [illegible] Sallie Hood, Lizzie DeMuth and George [illegible].

[illegible] county now has 51 postoffices.

W. H. P[illegible] and D. Boyd and [illegible] went to New York to witness the great football game between Yale and Princeton.

Friday, November 28, 1901.

The coke production cannot keep [illegible] demand. New blast furnaces are blown in which added to the shortage of cars and motive power has [illegible] famine.

Coke production was [illegible] tons from [illegible] active ovens. Idle ovens totalled 1,8[illegible]. Shipments aggregated [illegible] cars.

[illegible] added to the [illegible] delivery force at the postoffice.

[illegible] break the drouth which has lasted since the latter part of September.

The Barbers Union elected the following officers: President A. Bufano; Vice President George Debolt; Treasurer [illegible] W. Keffer; Financial Secretary [illegible] Moser; Recording Secretary [illegible].

[illegible] officers were installed at the [illegible] meeting of the Yeoman Literary Society. The debate "That Men of [illegible] to be World's [illegible] Men of Action" was supported in the affirmative by Murdick [illegible] and [illegible] Hall Spear and Ernest Rooser arguing the negative side of the question. The affirmative won the decision.

[illegible] is ordered out of the ladies waiting room at the B. & O. depot. He did not object [illegible] the enforcement of [illegible] rule that has [illegible] local patrons of the road uncomfortable. [illegible] general waiting room [illegible] was crowded with immigrants.

THE UNWRITTEN LAW.

By [illegible] of Yukon

The [illegible] thing that has been in [illegible] the legal world since that of [illegible] the Unwritten Law. It is the leather cushioned loophole [illegible] which a criminal may [illegible] when he gets [illegible] with simple old fashioned New England law. It is a very easy way [illegible] when all means of [illegible] fail.

[illegible] been able to have quoted [illegible] of the Unwritten Law he might have [illegible] the humility of having [illegible] stamped upon him. Had [illegible] able to have glued the [illegible] which he smashed in [illegible] wrath when his people flew the [illegible] might possibly [illegible] have served [illegible] apart to him. Had [illegible] of the old timers have known [illegible] Unwritten Law they [illegible] right out of court with colors flying.

In days of middle history when Spain's Inquisitions were playing to full house when kings could do no wrong, when Divine Right drew its highest [illegible] when [illegible] were [illegible] the Unwritten Law [illegible] the persecutors. Now it is [illegible].

Roger Williams [illegible] and Ann Hutchinson's tormentors used all odds and ends of Unwritten Law to [illegible] those were the days when [illegible] would walk out of court [illegible] the defendants would [illegible] unknown. When Pizarro set [illegible] and when Cortez [illegible] conquest of Mexico the [illegible] with them some of the most unique [illegible] of Unwritten Law that [illegible] Spain. Had they [illegible] with Written Law and did [illegible] would have been [illegible] game wardens to [illegible].

[illegible] of the great Unwritten Law [illegible] the border ruffian [illegible] It was captured [illegible] horsethief was caught [illegible] the Vigilance Committee did not have time to ride to [illegible] for law. They just took about twenty feet of half inch Unwritten Law and elevated the [illegible] of the nearest [illegible] The result was that the Vigilance Committee walked out of court [illegible] the defendant remained suspended in the air.

The Unwritten Law is a kind [illegible] [illegible] It has been [illegible] end in Christian [illegible] when it was necessary to [illegible] the [illegible] of a jury in order to [illegible].

As American civilization advances we [illegible] get [illegible] kind of law. It [illegible] the [illegible] purpose as a silver bullet [illegible] wish to shoot a ghost. It is [illegible] as feeding to [illegible] that lays the golden egg.

Dr. Young is Dead

Dr. Alfred C. Young died in Wilkinsburg Sunday at the age of [illegible]. He was born in Westmoreland county near Greensburg.

MRS. JOHN BECK HELD FOR COURT

Squire Ulery Decides Evidence is Sufficient to Warrant Holding Her.

HE ANNOUNCED DECISION TODAY

Next Act of Scottdale's Sensational Fire Drama Will Be Staged in the County Courts at Greensburg. Charges Stoutly Denied.

SCOTTDALE, Nov. 29.—The next act of the sensational and alarming fire drama that has held Scottdale in its terrorizing grasp for several weeks will be staged in the county courts at Greensburg, for Mrs. Elizabeth Beck, respected wife of the well known and popular railroader, John Beck, engineer of the crack Uniontown express, was held this morning for court, on the grave charge of arson. The decision of Justice of the Peace O. H. Ulery follows a searching preliminary hearing held by him on Tuesday evening, when Mrs. Beck was charged with having set fire to her home, occupied by herself, her three small children, and her young brother, Charles Staam, about 8 o'clock in the evening of Friday, October 13.

Mrs. Beck while technically under arrest was spared as much as possible by the justice, who, when the warrant was served upon her late Thursday evening released her on her own recognizance, for the hearing on Tuesday night. The justice went to the Beck house this morning and informed the woman of his decision to allow the courts to settle the matter.

Mrs. Beck seemed to be surprised a the outcome of the case, but satisfied with the decision and said that she would be ready to accompany the justice to Greensburg whenever she could get someone to care for the three children.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck have stoutly denied the guilt or reason for any guilt of the accused. Mr. Beck said that in court some sensational testimony will be brought out on their side, which will surprise the people of town, and show that they have both been the victims of cunning and unscrupulous enemies. Further he would not say, except that he would be well satisfied to have the case go to court.

Some wonderment has been expressed by some of those present at the preliminary hearing on Tuesday evening, over the fact that Borough Attorney F. B. Folk made no objections to any of the questions asked by Attorney P. H. Gaither, the counsel for Mrs. Beck. It appeared on the surface that the entire case was dissected by the attorney, and it looked as if he exerted the full strength of his powerful legal mind in extracting all the information upon which the authorities based their case. It is asserted with every show of confidence upon the part of those who have had the case in their hands that the prosecution was not damaged in the least, and that they withheld their most important testimony, only allowing enough to get out to convince the justice that the case was one resting upon too substantial a foundation to warrant him in feeling clear to discharge the case. The defense of course was not heard at all.

While Mrs. Beck rests under but one charge and that confined to the night of October 13, there are rumors which are said to emanate from reliable sources that the detectives and other officers who have been diligently investigating the series of fires are closing in on the origin of the double fire that destroyed about $60,000 worth of property on Broadway and Pittsburg streets on the night of October 3. An immense dragnet was thrown out following that fire, and much work has been done that is not surmised by the people. It is said that arrests may come within a short time, an information from various sections is said to be closing up the gaps in the case.

The borough authorities have been quietly at work on the matter, and although there has been a great deal of criticism, as there always is from those who do not know what is going on, it is demonstrated by those in charge that the town is being as well taken care of as possible under the circumstances.

The hour of the trial was kept secret so far as possible but at 7.30 Monday a crowd had gathered in front of the office in Pittsburg street and grew larger as the evening wore on until there was a couple of hundred people standing mutely staring up at the windows on the second story of the Loucks building where the hearing was in progress.

Mrs. Beck was looking extremely well no traces showing of dashes of carbolic acid which starred her face Hallowe'en night, when she said she was attacked at the home of her mother, Mrs. Henrietta Staam. She was neatly dressed in a black coat and waist and wore a fur toque with autumn colors. During the hearing she was composed and exhibited no signs of nervousness. Accompanying her was her sister, Mrs. Warheit. Opposite them on a stool at the other side of the desk where the justice sat was the husband, John Beck, the popular engineer of the Uniontown Express, round faced, cool and collected, and with smiling face most of the time. Husband and wife exchanged frequent glances of confidence and both of them seemed more like two spectators watching some pleasing drama unfold than that they were the central figures of a grim play which a roomful of people saw and heard with absorbed quiet.

P. H. Gaither and C. E. Whitten, attorneys of Greensburg, represented Mrs. Beck, and were accompanied by S. B. Foight, the court stenographer. Miss Sadie McArdle was also present and also took a full stenographic report of the hearing. Borough Attorney F. B. Folk sat near and listened to the hearing. Justice Ulery conducted what Mr. Gaither called the investigation in a complete manner and with care.

A number of witnesses were examined, and complete latitude was afforded Mr. Gaither in his questioning for the defense, so that it is certain everything about came forth. T. N. Miller, who testified that had been the operative of a Pittsburg detective agency for 11 years, was the last witness called and the most important perhaps.

He described his coming to town, hearing the fire alarm in a downtown hotel and going to the house, which he was informed by someone was the Beck house, and going all through it that night. He testified that one of the fires had been under a couch, there being no heat there indicating the fire at least half an hour before, several burned and partly burned matches under the couch, and similar matches in the house. He said he found three bottles that had contained carbolic acid or oil, and that the odor of both was strong in the house. He found a pile of tobacco, apparently a crushed cigar, with an odor of carbolic acid about it, and found a box of cigars that seemed like the broken one in another room, the crushed tobacco being in a neat pile in the dining room. He said he found an oil can and a carbolic acid bottle, which he asked Mrs. Beck to save for him, but when he went after them the next day they were refused. He said he did not know who had been in the house after the fire before he arrived. He submitted some samples of handwriting or printing by Mrs. Beck which he said she gave him willingly, his idea being to compare them with anonymous notes which were found in the backyard and with the letters "P. G." scratched on the piano. Some anonymous letters he went after on Sunday were refused, he said. The letters he had and some other papers were marked as exhibits in the case.

Chief Frank McCudden told of posting the State troopers at different parts of town, and hurrying to Beck's when the fire alarm was sounded. He was in the house but a minute or so, there was no fire then. He said he hurried over to get Mr. Harris and the two dogs, an English and a Cuban bloodhound. He was told they were, but on the way over that Harris said the dogs could not take the trail, and that it was no use trying there. He was asked for no explanation of this, and continued that when they got over the Burgess Ellis told them to make a try as the townspeople were howling that nothing was being done about the fires, and taking the dogs out would tend to satisfy the citizens somewhat. One dog did not work and Harris shoved the other out the front door, and the latter, the Cuban gave tongue. Chief McCudden described the winding route the dogs took, and that every once in a while the dog seemed to take up the trail. He said that it was the first time he had ever been out with them. He continued that the dogs were brought from Fairmont to Connellsville late at night and brought here in an automobile, and under instructions of the Burgess and Council.

D. S. Aultman, a civil engineer for the Frick company, living about 125 feet south of Beck's on the same street, said he was at home reading and hearing a noise at his door went out to investigate. Searching at the rear of his and satisfied that nothing was wrong, he saw a man standing behind a telephone pole. Going to the house he got a gun and started out to look the man over, finding him to be a neighbor, later learning his name to be W. T. Sisler. The man said that some girls had said they saw a man going between their house and the next one. Mr. Aultman a short time before had seen a man with a light hat go around Beck's house. When he went back to the house and was just going in the back door he heard screams, and saw Walter Schaffer running across the street to the Beck house. He followed him over.

Mike Vuhtsky, a State trooper, said he was on patrol in the alley that night and heard that Mrs. Beck had reported a suspicious person in that neighborhood about 5 o'clock. He said he looked over the house and found it totally dark about 9, went through the alley, spent about 25 minutes in that neighborhood, when a window in the second story was knocked out, and he ran up to the front porch, the second person there, and followed the person who broke in a front window. He described the fires on the stairs and along them and how they were extinguished. This was near 9 o'clock and the alarm did not blow for perhaps 10 minutes. He said on examination he found the outside kitchen door open perhaps an inch. He saw Mrs. Beck, he, children and her brother when he got in. He did not see the fire when outside but heard the screams of fire and on this account gave the alarm. He said Mrs. Beck told him that a man might have been hiding in the coal cellar and set the house afire.

Sergeant Paul E. Stout, of the State troopers, with them since 1905, told of being detailed to Scottdale on October 11, and was about three squares away when he heard the alarm, and hurried to the house, which he entered, soon coming out to assist the firemen in roping off the house. He then followed the dogs. In the house he noticed nothing peculiar until he returned when the odor of carbolic acid struck him, particularly on top of the stair landing.

Daniel Bell, for four yeas a trooper, testified he was on Pittsburg street near Stoner street when he heard the alarm, but went to another section of town, watching for about half an hour an then going to the Beck house, where the firse was over. The dogs passed him, and barked at some house and he investigated there and found no one in the house. He also told of the odor of acid and oil about the house, and next day said he bought matches like those found in the house at the High street grocery. He was asked if they were not common matches like are used all over the United States, and said that trying other stores in town he could not find ones like them except at the High street store. He could not recall the name of the matches.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck were calm and smiling at the end of the examination and chatted a few moments with the attorneys, and then left the room, Mrs. Beck smiling and complaisant and nodding to friends who spoke to her as she wended her way out.

Examination for Carrier.

Postmaster C. J. McGirr of Dawson has given notice of an examination for rural free delivery carrier to be held December 16. The successful applicant will succeed Joshua Torrence, who has resigned.

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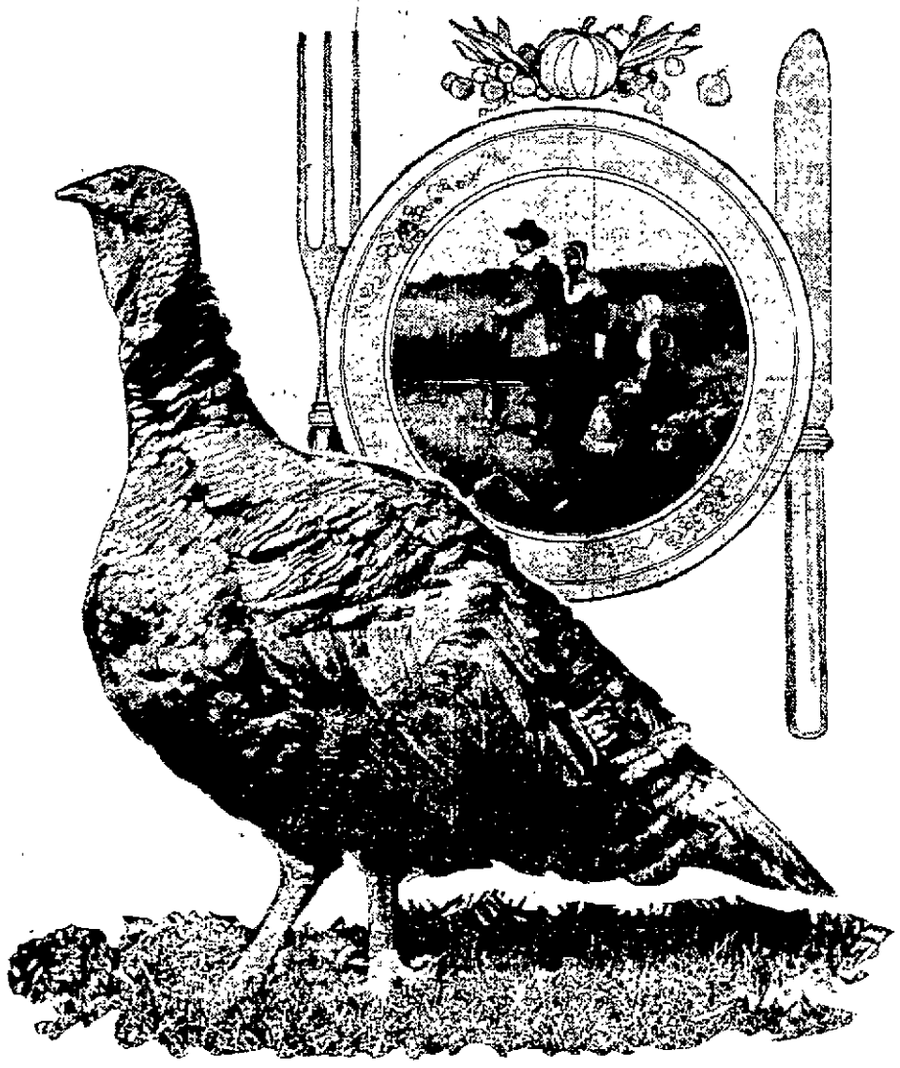
King Turk, Hero of Thanksgiving, and Pilgrims Who Started His Troubles.



WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—There is mourning in Turkey Land today, and the pilgrim fathers are persona non grata there because they really started the entire Thanksgiving Day business and cut short the career of many a promising young gobler. The day is being celebrated later than usual this year because of the fact that November, 1911, has five Thursdays. Bankers wanted November 23 celebrated, but in accordance with custom President Taft named the last Thursday in the month as the holiday.

WEDDING FEAST WELL SUPPLIED WITH EATABLES OF ALL KINDS

Well Known Polish Couple Wedded This Morning and Celebration is Largest Since Morgan Valley's Halcyon Days.

OWENSDALE, Nov. 29.—One of the largest foreign weddings since the halcyon days of the Morgan Valley's industrial prosperity began here today. Nearly $500 was expended for edibles alone. Martin Balgosky was married to Miss Stella Sombloskv this morning at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church at Everson. The bride was attended by 15 bridesmaids and a bevy of lesser attendants. The groom also had numerous assistants. Scores of Polish and protestant people were in attendance, the couple being among the most well known foreign people in this section. The entire coke region is represented in the wedding guests, representing almost every coke town in the region from Greensburg to Brownsville.

The following will make up the wedding feast: 50 chickens, two hogs, totaling 615 pounds, 15 hams, 125 pounds of chopped beef, 25 layer cakes, 125 pies, two boxes of oranges, two bunches of bananas, six bushels of apples, 50 kegs of beer, 20 cases of Whiskey, 25 cases of pop, five cases of "seat" and six cases of wine. The ceremonies commenced this morning and will keep up the rest of this week. As usual the affair is presided over according to the law of the township constable, Martin Gerke.

CITIZEN'S NATIONAL TAKES KAIL'S STEAMSHIP AGENCY

Stated That Foreign Banker Will Continue Other Features of His Business As Heretofore.

It was stated Wednesday the Citizens National Bank has concluded negotiations by which it is to assume the steamship agency that is now held by F. A. Kail, the foreign banker. Mr. Kail will continue in the banking business, which he has conducted here since 1887.

Under the law recently passed by the State Legislature, foreign banking institutions are hedged about with greater restrictions than heretofore. The State legislators believed that the evils of the private foreign bank were largely due to the influence of the steamship business. For this reason, under the law, which becomes effective December 1, foreign bankers who also retain a steamship agency, are required to file a $50,000 bond in order to continue in business, and only those firms which have been continuously engaged in this field for the past seven years can take advantage of this law.

Mr. Kail is the oldest foreign banker in Connellsville in point of service.

Injured in Mine.

John Duke, aged 52 years of Continental No. 1, was taken to the Uniontown hospital Saturday night with a dislocated hip, sustained while working in a coal mine.

County Owns Gas Well.

Allegheny county owns a gas well with sufficient supply to furnish light and heat for all the county buildings. The well is one of the best in the Perrysville district.

Ex-Convict Is Held.

Arch Manley, an ex-convict, was held for the Grand Jury at Marion, O., for attacking Ethel Van Lear, aged 14.

FRIEL-KANE

Pretty Wedding at St. Vincent de Paul's Church This Morning.

Wednesday at 8 o'clock the marriage of Miss Mary Friel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Friel of Leisenring No. 1 and John Kane, also of that place took place at St. Vincent DePaul's Catholic church. Nuptial high mass was celebrated by Rev. Father J. J. Greaney, the pastor. The bride was attended by Miss Cora Kane as maid of honor, while M. L. LeFan served as best man. The ceremony was witnessed by a number of friends and relatives of the bride and bridegroom.

A well appointed wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride. Covers were laid only for the bridal party and their near relatives of the young couple. Mr. Kane is a machinist employed by the H. C. Frick Coke Company at Monarch and is well known in and around Connellsville. The bride is one of the most widely known young women of Leisenring and has many friends here. Following the wedding breakfast Mr. and Mrs. Kane left for Toledo, O., where they will spend their honeymoon.

BRADY SUIT CONTINUED.

Will Not Come Up in Federal Court Before Next Monday.

The suit of Miss Emma Noyes Brady against the 21 School Directors of Connellsville will not be reached in Federal court in Pittsburg before next Monday. It was on the list for Tuesday but Attorneys Marshall & Marshall, representing Miss Brady, had a case on the circuit court and could not attend.

The case is now listed for Monday morning but if there is another case still on trial in Federal court this afternoon when adjournment is taken until Monday, another delay may be caused.

Takes Poison; Is Ill.

After attempting to take her life by drinking poison last Saturday, Mrs. Charles J. Shannon, wife of a brakeman, is seriously ill at her home in Derry. The Shannons have four children.

Abe Martin.

Miss Opal Moots, who's t' be married in January, won't send out any invitations as her new home is already furnished.

There's allus somethin' brewin' in Milwaukee t' stagger humanity.

PREMIUM WINNERS TODAY ANNOUNCED AT SOMERSET

Mrs. W. A. Barnhart, for Third Consecutive Year, Won First Prize for Home Made Bread. Other Experts.

SOMERSET, Nov. 29.—This morning the premium winners at the third annual fair of the Somerset County Agricultural Society were announced. There were nearly two thousand exhibits by about one hundred and twenty entrants.

For the third consecutive year at the fair Mrs. William A. Barnhart of the West End has won the prize for home made bread, and a feature of the winnings is the showing made by Solomon Bowser, of Somerset township. William P. May and Clarence Friedline of Jefferson township, and Alva E. Holsman of Lincoln township, in their display of grains, while the Misses Mae F. Hoover, Mary Miller, Jessie Kooser and Mrs. William Parson of Somerset, starred as fancy cake artists.

Leslie E. Wagner, the six-year-old son of Mr and Mrs. Clinton C. Wagner of West Patriot street, who has had an insatiate penchant for lead pencils ever since he could hold one, won the $3.00 prize offered for the best drawing made by a public school pupil, and the proud daddy is already planning to train the gifted lad for a cartoonist.

WESTERN MARYLAND IS MAKING FAST TIME NOW

By Sunday There Will Be 16 Miles of Track Down on Division Engineer Palmer's District.

Rapid progress is being made on the Western Maryland and Division Engineer J. I. Palmer stated that by January 1 all the track on his division should be laid. The track is being ballasted as it is placed. By Sunday track will be completed from Sipe to a point near Pinkerton a distance of 16 miles. Monday bridges across the Casselman will be started. Also a force of men will be started laying rails eastward to meet the gang that is laying them west from Keystone.

The false work for the bridge over the B. & O. tracks at Fayette will be started Monday and this will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

Missionaries Safe.

Word has been received at Monessen that Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Cherney, Baptist missionaries in China, have reached Shanghai from West China, where they were located at.

S. M. Miller Dead.

Samuel M. Miller, proprietor of Miller's restaurant in Pittsburg, died suddenly early this morning at his East End home.

Killed Doe; Fined.

A hunter who disregarded the game laws near Driftswood, this State, was fined $100. He killed a doe. The doe was sent to the Ridgeway hospital.

Four Mile Brick Road.

The Westmoreland County Commissioners have decided to build four miles of brick highway from Leechburg to Sherersburg.

Lawrence County Man Dead.

Samuel D. Witherspoon, aged 83, is dead at Little Beaver township, Lawrence county.

The Weekly Courier, $1.00 a year.

SOMERSET COUNTY INSTITUTE IS NOW ON IN FULL SWING

Interesting Addresses are Delivered by Well Versed Educators on Subjects of Pedagogy.

SOMERSET, Nov. 29.—With the second day of the fifty-fifth annual Somerset County Teachers' Institute, the meeting was in "full swing" and the interest manifested in the sessions was even more pronounced today than yesterday. This morning the institute was opened with devotional services by the Rev. V. C. Zener, pastor of the Somerset United Evangelical Church, followed by a music drill conducted by Prof. Robert J. McDowell, of Pittsburg. A lecture on "Psychology and the Art of Getting and Holding Attention," was ably handled by Dr. T. S. Lowden, of Columbus, O., which was followed by a vocal solo by Miss Jean Neff of Indianapolis, Ind., and an interesting Study," by Prof. W. S. Hertzog of Harrisburg, a State High School Inspector. Following another music drill by Prof. McDowell, Dr. John Davison, of Lima, O., spoke on "The Land of American Song," and Prof. W. S. Hertzog discussed "High School Science."

Prof. McDowell opened the afternoon session with a half hour's musical instruction period, and was followed by Dr. T. S. Lowden who discussed "The Method and Spirit of the Teacher." Davison's lecture on "The American Poet of Nature" and Prof. W. S. Hertzog on "The High School in Pennsylvania," were a vocal solo by Miss Jean Neff, a music drill by Prof. Robert J. McDowell, and a violin solo by Miss Emily Robson, of Schenectady, N. Y.

Yesterday at 9 o'clock in court room No. 2 in the court house the twenty-second annual convention of the Somerset County School Directors' Association was called to order by President Jonas M. Cook, of Somerset, after devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. Hess Wagner, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church. The address of welcome was delivered by Assistant Postmaster John C. Guasey of Somerset, to which J. B. Lambert of Kimmekon, responded.

"The School Code's New Duties For Directors" were summarized by P. S. Werner of Rockwood, Attorney John A. Hartman of Windber, and John S. Rhoads of Jenner township, following which "Heating and Ventilating" were discussed by Dr. Charles F. Livengood of Boswell, E. L. Knepper of Brothersvalley township, and Robt. W. Lohr, Esq., of Jenner township.

Dr. John Davison of Lima, O., one of the Institute instructors, addressed the Directors on "The Mission of the Public School."

The afternoon session at 1.30 o'clock was opened with a talk on "Disinfecting School Houses," by Dr. W. S. Mountain of Confluence, followed by discourses on "Relation Between Teachers and Directors," by W. P. Barron of Somerset township, the Rev. W. C. Skyes of Berlin, and M. J. Blough of Elk Lick township. Directors W. W. Cupp of Somerset township; W. B. Putnam of Jefferson township, and A. P. Kimmell of Stoneycreek township, spoke on "Education That Will Prepare For Farm Life."

The convention will be in session until tomorrow afternoon, and the directors will meet with the teachers in the Insitute this evening.

COUNTY OFFICIALS' BONDS APPROVED BY COURT TODAY

Controller and Commissioners Filed Them—Sentence Court is Held—Verdict in Coal Suit.

UNIONTOWN, Nov. 28.—The bonds of four county officers were presented in court today and approved. They were those of County Commissioners John S. Langley, Charles H. Nutt and E. H. McClelland for $10,000 each and Controller Harry Kisinger for $20,000.

A few sentences were handed down. Luigi Santell was sent to jail for 30 days for assaulting his wife. Jacob Raum was given 60 days to the workhouse for assaulting an officer. Henry White was given six months to the workhouse for enticing a minor for immoral purposes. Reuben Wilgus drew a $50 fine and 20 days to jail, the minimum sentence for furnishing liquor to two girls under age.

The habeas corpus case was heard today of Rosie Boran against her divorced husband, Paul Boran. The court ruled that the two year old child belongs to the mother and directed the husband to turn it over to her. Mrs. Boran will pay the costs.

Della B. Detail was granted a divorce from Arthur Detail on grounds of desertion.

The jury last night returned a verdict for the defendant in the suit of W. M. Henderson and James S. Pates against the Rocks Coal & Coke Company. The plaintiffs wanted damages aggregating $60,000 for the illegal mining of coal under their property in Brownsville township.

The defense claimed there had been no trespass and that the only coal mined was that which belonged to the company. The jury agreed with the defense and returned a verdict accordingly.

ENLARGING STOCKYARDS.

Twenty Additional Pens Will Be Finished in Four Weeks.

Twenty additional pens are being built at the Connellsville stockyards, east of town, which will increase the number from 60 to 80. It was stated that while business is slack at this time, the extra pens will be needed.

It is the intention to have the new pens completed within the next four weeks.

Pennsy Plans Improvements.

It is stated that the Pennsylvania railroad is making plans for the electrification of its main line entering Pittsburg and will construct other improvements, expending in the neighborhood of $50,000,000.

Tissue's Hogs Winners.

C. C. Tissue of Stewart township claims to have butchered two champion hogs on Monday. Both were a little over a year old, the largest weighing when dressed 497 pounds and the other 469 pounds.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE WILL OPEN ON FRIDAY

Strong Corps of Instructors Has Been Secured This Year.

A TWO DAY SESSION FIRST

Morning Sessions Will Be Held in High School Building and Afternoon and Evening Ones in Carnegie Free Library Hall.

The second annual Teachers' Institute of the City of Connellsville will open its sessions here on Friday morning. The institute will be held Friday and Saturday, and then will adjourn until January 29, to continue three more days.

Superintendent S. P. Ashe and his corps of teachers have arranged an exceptionally strong program this year. The instructors are ranged among the best in the State. The general public is invited to attend as the subjects will not only be of interest to teachers but should have the attention of parents as well.

The instructors this year are Dr. J. George Recht, Secretary of the new State Board of Education, Dean Will Grant Chambers of the University of Pittsburg; Miss Edna Vaughan Fisher, Supervisor of Dramatics, Pittsburg Playground Association, Miss Agnes M. Connell, Supervisor of Physical Training, Pittsburg Playground Association, Miss Rose Leader, soloist, Pittsburg; Mrs. A. W. Bishop and Miss Edith Morton, both of Connellsville, accompanists.

The program is as follows:

Friday Morning, 9 O'clock.

Solo ..... Miss Leader
Invocation .... Rev. Ellis B. Burgess
Solo ..... Miss Leader
The Ideals of Childhood .....
..... Dean Chambers
Departmental meetings.
High School.
Individual Differences in School Children.
Dean Chambers
Intermediate Grammar Schools.
Reading For Older Children.....
..... Miss Fisher
Primary.
Demonstration of Plays and Games.
Miss Connell

Friday Afternoon, 2 O'clock.

Solo ..... Miss Leader
Children's Reaction to Punishment
..... Dean Chambers
Play in Education ..... Miss Fisher
Solo ..... Miss Leader
Rational Treatment of Children...
..... Dr. Becht

Friday Evening, 8 O'clock.
Directors Session.

Dr. G. W. Gallagher, Chairman.
Piano Solo ..... Miss Pearl Keck
Reading .. Mr. Wilmer H. Seawright
Solo ..... Miss Leader
Address, "Lend a Hand" .. Dr. Becht

Saturday Morning, 9 O'clock.

Solo ..... Miss Leader
Invocation .....Rev. J. L. Proudfit
Solo ..... Miss Leader
Live Teachers and Live Teaching ..... Dr. Becht
Department Meetings.
High School.
Socializing the Course of Study .....Dr. Becht
Intermediate and Grammar Grade.
A Demonstration Class in Plays and Games Miss Connell
Primary.
Reading for the Little Ones ..... Miss Fisher

Saturday Afternoon, 1.30 O'clock.

Solo ..... Miss Leader
A Page in Pennsylvania's History
..... Dr. Becht
The Value of the Dramatic Instinct
..... Miss Fisher
Solo ..... Miss Leader
Training for Citizenship.....
..... Dean Chambers

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Was Given at Scottdale Last Night for Mrs. D. H. Flick.

SCOTTDALE, Nov. 29.—The many friends of Mrs. D. H. Flick of No. 411 Walnut avenue, tendered her a birthday surprise party, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Mrs. Flick was the recipient of a very handsome cut glass water set. The following guests were present:

Mrs. Albert Keister, Mrs. W. W. Eicher, Mrs. C. W. Hutchinson, Mrs. J. G. Darling, Mrs. J. W. Brownfield, Mrs. Jennie King, Mrs. Dr. Newman, Mrs. O. D. Wehner, Mrs. N. M. Kennell, Mrs. Dr. L. F. Gilbert, Mrs. S. H. Johnson, Mrs. Martin Mumaw, Mrs. S. D. Steiner, Mrs. C. D. Reid, Mrs. Dr. Shotts, Mrs. Edward Bryan, Mrs. Jas. Fitzsimmons, Mrs. Alice Taylor, Mrs. Foster Vanhorn, Mrs. Abraham Bosher, Mrs. Mary Kimmell, Mrs. Thomas Gallentine, Mrs. George Gallentine, Mrs. Daniel Shupe, Mrs. Bert Laughrey, Mrs. Harry Laughrey, Mrs. Wilson Brooks, Mrs. John Skinner, Mrs. Will Hough, Mrs. Russell Stoner, Mrs. G. B. Kelly, Misses Grace Mumaw, Mabel Shotts, Sarah Sherrick, Gertrude Reid, Elizabeth Sherrick and Miss Shepler.

The out of town guests were Mrs. John Davis and Mrs. W. L. Krepps and daughter, Corrine, of Connellsville.

BOHEMIAN SUICIDES

John Boran Thought He Could Not Pay For Little Farm He Purchased.

John Beran, aged 35 years, a well known young Bohemian, who bought a small farm just back of Moorewood and thought he could not pay for it committed suicide by hanging himself in the barn. The deceased leaves a wife and five small children.

Beran was the organizer and leader of the Bohemian band. The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in the Mt. Pleasant cemetery. He was out of his mind for some time.

Court to Decide Ballot Marking.

The Dauphin county court is to rule on the question whether a ballot marked in two party squares for one candidate is illegal. This question has been raised in aul parts of the State.

COL. B. F. BOYTS WAS FOUND DEAD

A Prominent Connellsville Man Victim of Apoplectic Stroke.

DIED ALONE IN HIS ROOM

Body Was Found in Apartments at the Yough House Sunday—Was Prominent Figure in Connellsville's Industrial Community.

Colonel Benjamin Franklin Boyts, one of the most prominent citizens of Connellsville and active in its civic and industrial interests, was found dead at 9 o'clock Monday morning in his apartments at the Yough House. Death is believed to have been due to a stroke of apoplexy which felled him some time during Sunday night.

He was found in the bathroom of the apartments this morning about 9 o'clock by Paul Bolger, proprietor of the Yough House, who became alarmed when Mr. Boyts failed to appear for breakfast at the usual hour. Mr. Boyts was lying on the floor, his head under the washstand. He was fully dressed and his bed had not been disturbed. It is presumed that he was stricken some time last evening. He was alone at the time.

Col. Boyts' death was sudden and, in a degree, unexpected, but he had

been failing rapidly during the past few years. Last Friday afternoon he attended the funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Best, an aunt of Mrs. Boyts, at Dawson, and there contracted a severe cold. He was at his office at Boyts, Porter & Company later and was accompanied to the Yough House by C. W. Hays, draughtsman and Mr. Boyts' principal assistant at the plant. He complained of feeling badly but declined medical treatment.

Saturday morning Mr. Boyts reported at his office as usual, but still complained of feeling badly and did not return in the afternoon. It was his last visit to the office of the plant in which he was the leading spirit.

Sunday Mr. Boyts was down to his meals, as usual. He smoked a cigar during the morning. Sunday night at 8 o'clock he returned to his room and was seen alive for the last time. Monday about 7.30 C. M. Stoner, foreman of the plant, called the Yough House to inquire if Mr. Boyts had come down for breakfast, but it was rather early for him. He seldom came to the office until 9 o'clock. When Mr. Boyts did not come down stairs at his usual time for breakfast Paul Bolger went to his rooms and found him dead.

Mrs. Boyts is in Washington. She was notified by telephone of her husband's death. Mr. Boyts is survived by his wife, who was formerly Miss Cecelia Reid, a sister of Col. J. M. Reid of Connellsville, Ross Reid of Uniontown, and E. H. Reid of Scottdale, and one daughter, Mrs. Edna Edgerly of Hopewell, N. J.

Benjamin Franklin Boyts was born near Friedens, Somerset county, about 71 years ago. He was the son of Jonathan and Mary Boyts. His early life was spent on a farm. He attended normal schools at Berlin and Meyersdale and for a time clerked in a store at Frostburg, Md.

Mr. Boyts, at the outbreak of the Civil War, enlisted in Company C of the 142nd Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. The company was recruited from Somerset county. He served with distinction and rose to the rank of sergeant. At the battle of the Wilderness he was wounded on May 5, 1864. He was incapacitated for further service and was in the hospital at the time the company was mustered out of service. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Union Veteran Legion.

After the war Mr. Boyts was located in Pittsburg. He came to Connellsville about 35 years ago. In 1876 he purchased the interests of the late M. B. Stauffer in the firm which then assumed the name of Tennant, Porter, Boyts & Company. In 1878 the firm name was changed to Boyts' Porter & Company. From the time he secured an interest in the company he was one of its guiding spirits, and since the death of the late Thomas W. Porter about seven years ago had entire charge of the big pump manufacturing plant.

In 1884 Mr. Boyts was one of the prime movers in organizing the Trinity Lutheran Church and was one of its eight charter members. For a time the little congregation met at his home on Peach street. When the Sunday School was organized, Mr. Boyts rented a room on Pittsburg street and besides acting as the superintendent of the school, also served as its janitor. He was always an earnest worker the church and a liberal contributor. The handsome new edifice the congregation now occupies was made possible largely through his personal contributions and support.

In 1893, when the Yough National Bank was organized, he was elected as a Director and Vice President, which position he held continuously up to the time of his death.

Mr. Boyts was a steadfast Republican. In the eighties he was a member of the Borough Council. He was mentioned prominently as a candidate for Mayor, when the Republicans were seeking a man to head the ticket a few months ago, but declined to permit his name to be considered.

As a Republican, and one of the leading citizens of Western Pennsylvania, Mr. Boyts was a member of the Americus Club of Pittsburg. He also belonged to the Heptasophs and the Royal Arcanum. Besides his interest in Boyts, Porter & Company, he was a stockholder and director of the Consolidated Coal & Coke Company. It is understood he was interested in an oil company. Mr. Boyts was very reticent about his personal and business affairs, and just how extensive his business connections were could not be learned even from those with whom he had been closely associated.

The funeral of the late Col. Benjamin Franklin Boyts, who died suddenly Sunday night, will be held Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from Trinity English Lutheran church, of which he was one of the founders. Rev. Ellis B. Burgess will officiate. The body will be laid to rest in Hill Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Boyts arrived from Washington last evening and this morning Prof. and Mrs. Webster Edgerly and their two children came from Hopewell, N. J.

The following employes of the company will serve as active pallbearers: George A. Snyder, Cyrus M. Stoner, B. E. Withers, Joseph Herwick, W. E. Penn and J. L. Haines.

ALEXANDER LONG DIED SUNDAY

Was for Many Years Engaged in Hardware Business on West Side.

HE HAD LIVED AT HOPWOOD

Was 68 Years of Age and Born Near Pittsburg, But Came to New Haven Many Years Ago—Moved to Fairchance Decade Ago.

Alexander Long, aged 68 years, a former West Side hardware merchant, died Sunday morning about 8.20 o'clock at his late home at Hopwood. Mr. Long had been a sufferer from rheumatism for about four years, and seven weeks ago gangrene developed, settling in his right foot. As the result death followed. The body will be brought to the West Side this afternoon on the P. R. R. train arriving in the West Side at 2.40 o'clock. The remains will be removed by Funeral Director C. C. Mitchell to the home of Mrs. Matilda Eccles, on Main street West Side, a sister-in-law of the deceased. Funeral from the Giles residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Hill Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Long was born and reared near Pittsburg. For a number of years he conducted a hardware store on the corner of Main and Eighth street, West Side. About 10 years ago he disposed of his business and went to Fairchance where he was in the hardware business up until about a year ago when he went to Hopwood to reside. Mr. Long was married to Mrs. Catherine Melissa Merrell of the West Side about 15 years ago. Mrs. Long was a daughter of the late Thomas Fields and Rebecca Giles who at their time were among the most widely known residents of the West Side. Deceased was a Dunkard and was highly respected by his wide circle of friends. In addition to his widow he is survived by one brother, David Long of the West Side, and three sisters, Mrs Lottie Crossland of Hazelwood, Mrs Emma Hill of Scottdale, and Mrs. Jennie Hoffman, who resides in the south.

VETERAN DIES.

Moses R. Wortman Was For Many Years a B. & O. Engineer

Moses Ross Wortman died late Friday at his home in Cumberland as the result of a stroke of paralysis which he suffered Friday at noon. Mr. Wortman and Robert Reynolds, owner of the property, were engaged in putting a roof on the rear portion of the house. Medical aid was summoned at once but Mr. Wortman never regained consciousness.

When quite a young man Mr. Wortman was a Baltimore & Ohio fireman on the Connellsville division and in due time was promoted to an engineer. He ran a locomotive on the Connellsville division for many years. Mr. Wortman is survived by his widow, whom he married at Scottdale 31 years ago, five children, Smith Wortman of Dunbar, a brother, Mrs. Beall Ding of Lemont, a sister, and Andrew Wortman of Dunbar, a nephew.

TOUCHED MATCH TO POWDER

Contents of Package Addressed to Tener Made Only Bad Smell.

CHARLEROI, Pa., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—Though they had decided not to tamper, curiosity became too strong and in the presence of Postmaster J. E. McCardle and two newspaper men Assistant Postmaster Dennis Oates yesterday afternoon struck a match to some powder contained in a supposed infernal machine received here several weeks ago by Gov. John K. Tener.

"The joke's on the sender," some one laughed. The sender probably lives in Philadelphia, as the package was postmarked there. But if the powder did not explode, it spread a powerful and unpleasant order, which compelled the investigators to open the windows. Chemists will make an investigation today to ascertain the nature of the powder.

THEY GOT DEER.

Dick O'Neal and James Guynn Place Them on Exhibition.

Two good sized deers killed in Fulton county by Dick O'Neal and James Guynn, local nimrods, were placed on exhibition in the Smith House Saturday night and attracted considerable attention.

The men belonged to a party of hunters that left here several days ago for deer.

Dunbar Prospects Bright.

With the United Fire Brick Company plant running on full time, likewise the glass plant and nearby quarries, Dunbar is enjoying prosperity that needs only an adjustment of the furnace trouble to be desired.

YOUGH AND BUFANO BANKS IN COMBINE

Effective December 1 the Two Institutions Will Consolidate.

BANCO BUFANO IS ABSORBED

The Well Known Italian Banker Will Have Charge of the Foreign Department of the Yough National Bank—New Quarters Planned.

Announcement was made Tuesday that negotiations have been concluded for the merger of banking interests by which the Banco Bufano is taken over by the Yough National Bank. The Yough National is to operate a foreign exchange with Pasquale Bufano in charge as manager. The arrangement becomes effective December 1, when Mr. Bufano retires as the head of a banking business which he established 21 years ago and which has been conducted along efficient and effective lines. In connection with the foreign exchange, the steamship agency will be maintained as at present, under Mr. Bufano's management.

It is the intention of the Yough National Bank to eventually locate its foreign department in the storeroom now occupied by Gorman & Company, adjoining the bank, but this may not be accomplished for several months. Until that time the foreign department will be operated in Mr. Bufano's present quarters on South Pittsburg street.

This latest move on the part of the Yough National Bank is largely due to the foresight of Cashier E. R. Floto, who took charge of the institution in 1906. The bank has gradually forged to the front under his guidance. Always one of the most substantial institutions, today it is one of the strongest in Fayette county, and growing rapidly. It was incorporated as a National bank in 1893, although it entered the field as the Youghiogheny bank in 1871 and is Connellsville's oldest banking institution. The officers and Directors of the Yough National Bank are President Joseph Soisson, Cashier E. R. Floto, W. F. Soisson, Dr. M. B. Shupe, H. M. Kephart, S. J. Harry, Dr. H. C. Hoffman and W. F. Stauffer. The late B. F. Boyts was a Director and Vice President.

Pasquale Bufano came to Connellsville about 31 years ago. Ten years later he established the banking business which now bears his name. For a time the firm was known as Bufano & Rutsek, but Peter Rutsek withdrew from the firm after a brief partnership to establish a bank for himself. But a few years ago Mr. Bufano purchased property on Pittsburg street and erected the four story brick building which his bank now occupies.

NEW BOOKS

Placed in Circulation at the Carnegie Free Library.

The new books in the following list have recently been put in circulation at the Carnegie Free library:

"Following of the Star," Barclay, "Mental Efficiency," Bennett; "Theology of the Poets," Brooke; "Jesus the Joyous Comrade," Brown; "Story of Great Inventions," Burns; "Women and the Trades," Butler; "Short Ballot Principles," Childs; "Boys' Book of Model Aeroplanes," Collins; "Literary Man's Bible," Courtney, "Book of Courage," Dawson; "Some Chemical Problems of Today," Duncan; "French and German Socialism in Modern Times," Ely; "Socialism, With Suggestions for Social Reform," Ely; "Riddle of the Universe," Haeckel; "The Young Electrician," Hall; "Panama and the Canal," Hall and Chester, "Teaching Poetry in the Grades," Haliburton; "Harper's Book of Little Plays; "Everyman's Religion," Hodges; "Studies of Trees in Winter," Huntingdon, "Conquest of Consumption," Hutchinson; "How To Study Birds," Job; "Little Folks' Book of Verse," Johnson; "Writing, Illuminating and Lettering," Johnston, "Quakers in the American Colonies," Jones, "Myths and Legends of the Pacific Northwest," Judson; "Dictionary of Hymnology," Julian; "History of England," Kipling and Fletcher; "Silver Thread and other Folk Plays for Young People," Mackay; "Optimistic Life," Marden; "Child's English Literature," Marshall; "Pandora's Box," Mitchell; "Children's Gardens," Parsons; "Wider Use of the School Plant," Perry; "Essays on Modern Novelists," Phelps; "Stories From the Chronicle of the Cid," Plummer; "Contemporary Socialism," Rae. "The Woman Who Spends," Richardson, "Boy With the U. S. Foresters," Rolt-Wheeler; "Cause and Cure of Colds," Sadler. "How to Judge a Cook," Shumer; "Myths and Legends of Flowers, Trees, Fruits and Plants," Skinner. "Coward of Thermopylae," Snedeker, "Substance of Socialism," Spargo, "Illustrated Guide to the Flowering Plants," Stevens; "House of Hinmon," Van Dyke; "Poems," Van Dyke: "The Sad Shepherd," Van Dyke; "Stories From Old French Romance," Wilmot-Buxton.

HUGH COLL VERY LOW.

Hope For Recovery of Frick Veteran is Abandoned by Family.

Word was received Monday that Hugh Coll, the veteran H. C. Frick Coke Company official, who retired from charge of the water supply system a few years ago and went to a farm near Easton, Md., cannot recover from the attack of pneumonia, from which he has been suffering for more than a week.

Mrs. Raymond S. Coll and son, Raymond H., and Mrs. H. J. Coll will leave this evening for Easton.

Steubenville Prosperous.

During the past 12 years, 1,200 new residences have been built in Steubenville, O. During the past year 117 of these were constructed.

MRS. FLORENCE SPEELMAN

Died at Vanderbilt Home Sunday After Lingering Illness.

Mrs. Florence Skiles Speelman, aged 37 years, wife of William Speelman, and a sister of Howard Skiles of Connellsville, died Sunday at noon at her home at Vanderbilt, after a lingering illness. Deceased was a daughter of Mrs. Haley Skiles and the late Arch Skiles of Vanderbilt. Funeral from her late home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and from the Methodist church at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. Ralph Hell will officiate. Interment in Dickerson Run cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, two children, Grace and Edna, and the following brothers and sisters: Robert Skiles of Revere; Howard of Connellsville; Gertrude and Stella Skiles of Vanderbilt; Mrs. Lou Foley of Mt. Braddock; Mrs. Ralph Coe of Vanderbilt; Mrs. Thomas Kerns of Marianna, Pa.

Orchard Demonstration

The State orchard demonstration will be made on the farm of Eliza Warrin at Great Haven on December 8.

CHARLES BOSLEY DIES FROM GRIEF

Shock Over Death of Col. Boyts Too Much for Veteran Employe.

HEART FAILURE WAS THE CAUSE

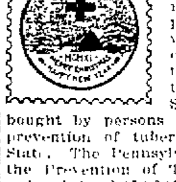
Had For Nearly 20 Years Been Employed by Boyts, Porter & Company—Was 66 Years of Age and Survived by a Large Family.

Grief stricken over the death of his employer, Col. B. F. Boyts, Charles G. Bosley, a laborer employed by Boyts-Porter & Company for nearly 20 years died suddenly Monday at 7 o'clock at his home at Snydertown. Mr. Bosley had worked up until noon Monday, when the plant was closed on account of the death of Mr. Boyts. Members of his family say he seemed greatly affected over the death of Mr. Boyts and had little to say. He had a weak heart and the shock of his employer's death is supposed to have brought on the attack which resulted in his death. He was ill about an hour. A physician was summoned but life was extinct when he arrived at the Bosley home. The funeral will take place from the Bosley residence Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment in Chestnut Hill cemetery.

Mr. Bosley was born in Maryland, June 10, 1845. He was 66 years, five months and 18 days old. For over 22 years he resided with his family on the West Side. He married Miss Dorothy Ellsworth. The widow and the following children survive: Mrs. K. T. Carlson of Leisenring No. 1, Frank T. Bosley and Mrs. J. P. Harper of the West Side, Miss Nannie Bosley, Chas. G., William, George, Carlton and Dorothy, at home. Mr. Bosley was a man of quiet disposition and had a wide circle of friends to whom his death came as a great shock. One brother, Harry C. Bosley, of Philadelphia also survives.

RED CROSS SEALS PLACED ON SALE IN STATE MONDAY

The Pennsylvania Society Orders 3,000,000 to Aid Fight Against the Great White Plague.



Monday marked the opening of the Red Cross Christmas Seal campaign in Pennsylvania. From now on in every city, town and hamlet the Christmas Seals will be bought by persons interested in the prevention of tuberculosis in this State. The Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis has ordered 3,000,000. A million and a half of these have already been distributed, and during the next month the remainder will be placed throughout the State.

The seal this year is better looking in design than last year's. It shows a snow scene with a farmhouse in the center. Near it are two Christmas trees. Above the farmhouse are the words American Red Cross and the Red Cross itself, while below are printer Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. This year's seal, therefore will make an attractive addition to Christmas presents and all packages.

The United States Government has given permission for the placing of the seals on the back of letters.

Last year 10,255 persons died of the White Plague in Pennsylvania. Every year the number is decreasing. The success of the fight against it depends upon the support given by the people. Every seal placed on the back of letters, on packages and on Christmas presents means a step forward in the struggle against the White Plague.

The headquarters of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis are at 1701 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

Somerset Court Records.

SOMERSET, Nov. 25.—The following deals in Somerset county real estate have been consummated during the past week:

David Otto to Conemaugh School District, Conemaugh township, $75, William J. Shaulis to Quemahoning Branch Railroad, Lincoln township, $125; Anna M. Ankeny to George G. Barnett, Jenner township, $4,100; Windber Lumber Company to George P. Stein, Windber, $130, Albert Sheridan to John Barnhart, Jenner township, $100. John Barnhart to Gotleib Geisweirt, Jenner township, $1,200; George F. Kimmell to Julia A. Yorty, Somerset township, $2,950, Matilda McAchren to J. G. Himble, Boswell, $1,400; George E. Lafferty to William F. Lafferty, Somerset, $500; Peter Fink to Somerset Lumber Company, Somerset $4,500; Isabelle Miul to Pittsburg & Connellsville Railroad, Northampton township, $100, Josephine Scalece to J. H. Lose, Windber $350; C. A. Young to Josephine Scalece, Windber, $315; Vito Dobasse to Antonio Consolo, Windber, $1,200, Paul A. Schell to Connellsville & State Line Railroad, Summit township, $2,499; Z. A. Husstallah's trustees to Solomon Sonie, Windber, $900; John H. Veil to Ida Mills, Windber, $450; E. M. Miller to Noah E. Miller, Elk Lick township, $2,750, William H. Zimmerman to Jacob Harshberger, Conemaugh township, $6; Wilmore Coal Company to Matilda D. Hall, Windber, $225; William D. Hill's heirs to Harry J. Hill, Stoneycreek township, $2,000.

Clerk of the Orphans' Court Bert F. Landis has recently issued marriage licenses to the following parties:

Harry C. Kreger and Mary E. Romesburg, both of Markleton. John Landis and Susan Gloss, both of Stoneycreek township; George W. Stahl and Ida I. Lohr, both of Stoyestown; Clyde A. Whipperman and Minnie H. Mosnelder, both of Lasha; Noah George Fyock of Hooversville, and Abi V. Berkebile of Stoyestown, Clyde C. VanSickle of Casselman, and Anna Florence Ream of Rockwood; Arthur Cleveland Thomas of West Salisbury, and Nettie Ellen Hayn of Elk Lick township; Luther McCormick Boller and Ada Heisel, both of Holsopple; Solomon J. Oaler and Daisy Belle Ringler, both of Larimer township; Lee L. Dugan and Grace A. Duppstadt, both of Listie; Bert J. Smith and Emma E. Long, both of Windber.

Letters of administration have recently been issued to William J. Horner and John W. Hoffman, in the estate of Isaac Hoffman, late of Jenner township, bond $2,500, and to J. B. Schrock, in the estate of John S. Heffley, late of Berlin, bond $500.

The following are recent proceedings in the Orphans' Court

In the estate of Mary Glessner, late of Allegheny township, ordered sale awarded John G. and George G. Glessner, executors. Bond $1,500.

Order of sale awarded Daniel W. Will, trustee, in the estate of Noah Fletcher, late of Lower Turkeyfoot township. Bond $3,000.

In the estate of Joseph Zimmerman late of Somerset township, Martin W. Pyle appointed guardian of Rose and Lottie Zimmerman. Bond $500.

In the estate of Henry Columbus Shaw, late of Salisbury, allowances of $700 each awarded Helen and Ruth B. Shaw minors.

Auditor's report confirmed in the estate of Elizabeth J. Laub, late of Somerfield.

Whipkey Anniversary.

DAWSON, Nov. 27.—The wedding anniversary of Mr and Mrs. Cyrus Whipkey on Thursday evening, November 23 was one of the most enjoyable events of the season. Cards were issued for one hundred guests. Seventy-five of the number being present. The dining room was beautifully decorated in lavender and white. At 9 o'clock an elegant turkey supper was served. Music was furnished throughout the evening by the Misses Margaret and Lyda Carson of Layton and little Miss Lena Bell Whipkey of Dawson. Out of town guests from Connellsville, Uniontown, Layton, Perryopolis and Dickerson Run were present. The many friends of Mr and Mrs. Whipkey wish them many years of happy married life and expressed a desire to be with them at their golden wedding anniversary. They received many beautiful presents.

Courts to Consolidate.

The amendments to the Constitution permitting the increase of debt for Philadelphia and consolidation of the Allegheny county courts have been written into the Constitution. They carried at the last election.

Legal Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT the first and final account of Z. S. Moon, Committee of Mary Moon, a lunatic, has been filed in the Prothonotary's Office, and will be presented to Court for allowance and confirmation on the fourth day of December, A. D. 1911, and will be confirmed, and allowed, unless cause be shown to the contrary. Prothonotary's Office, Uniontown, Pa. November 8, 1911. WILLIAM McCLELLAND, Prothonotary.

Springer Claybaugh
Attorney at Law.
Second National Bank Building
UNIONTOWN, PA.

Somerset County Teachers Open 85th Annual Institute Today

SOMERSET, Nov. 27.—The fifty-fifth annual session of the Somerset County Teachers' Institute convened in the opera house here at 1.30 o'clock this afternoon, County Superintendent D. W. Seibert presiding.

The address of welcome was delivered by Attorney A. C. Holbert, and was responded to by Prof. A. M. Bean of the Windber schools, following opening services by Rev. I. Hess Wagner, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church. A lecture on "The World's Supreme Poet" by Dr. John Davison, of Columbus, O., was preceded by a music drill, conducted by Prof. Robert J. McDowell, of Pittsburg, who will be the musical instructor throughout the week. "How Old Can One Learn?" was discussed by Dr. T. S. Lowden, of Lima, O., and a vocal solo was rendered by Miss Jean Neff, of Indianapolis, Ind.

This evening at 8 o'clock the teachers will be entertained by Alton Packard, a master cartoonist, and several vocal selections by Miss Neff.

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NEW LOCATION FOR FIRE HOUSE FOUND

Reported That Council Will Attempt to Condemn W. Fairview Avenue.

WOULD BE AN IDEAL SITUATION

It is stated on good authority that Town Council has found a new location for the Fire Department one that would be almost ideal for the purpose. The matter of condemning West Fairview avenue just off Pittsburg street, will be taken up at an early date and efforts made to secure the use of that thoroughfare or the erection of a fire building.

The Fire Department would be in new quarters at this time but for the injunction suit which Councilmen claim was entered in a spirit of malice. A number of Councilmen are inclined to lay the blame at the door of Attorney E C Higbee whose name appears as President of the newspaper which is now assailing the borough authorities because it has been necessary to move the department to the West Side for the winter.

If the injunction proceedings had not interfered, the building would be occupied at this time. It is said however that the Public Safety Committee of Town Council will recommend abandoning the plan to erect the building on City Hall Square.

West Fairview avenue ends in an abrupt hill a short distance beyond Pittsburg street. It can never be used as a thoroughfare the Councilmen assert. There would be no damage to property owners it is said by closing the street while the ground thus obtained would make a splendid location for the Fire Department. The street is at the top of the slight grade which rises from Main street. Not only would it be a down grade to the business section of town to which it is convenient, but it would also eliminate the heavy pull up Pittsburg street from Main for calls to the South Side. Residents of the Pinnacle district would be benefited because Fairview avenue is the route taken by the wagon on calls to that district.

It is generally conceded that the West Fairview avenue location would prove the ideal site because of its proximity to the entire business section of the town, and the down hill grade towards the North South and West portions of town and the elimination of the greater part of the up-grade to the Pinnacle.

The matter will be taken up by the Public Safety Committee at an early date and it is not unlikely that proper proceedings will be authorized at the next meeting of Council. Efforts in the meantime will be made to secure the dismissal of the pending equity suit against the borough which held up the proposed fire house on the public ground. The preliminary injunction was dismissed by the court but the equity suit is still pending.

WEST PENN RUMOR.

Johnstown Hears Report That Coke Region Line Will Reach There

It was stated recently by a member of the Railroad Committee of Town Council that before the Pennsylvania railroad takes advantage of the lifting of the injunction which will permit it to double track its line through the borough, officials of that company will appear before Council and outline the scheme of improvements planned for Connellsville. At the same time the officials will be informed of the things that Connellsville desires of the road.

It is stated that the borough will ask for the establishment of safety gates at the Pittsburg street crossing and across Main street on the West Side. It may also ask for gates at Peach street. Warning bells will be requested for other street crossings.

Another thing desired by Council is the grading of Arch street between Apple and Peach streets giving a passable thoroughfare under the Pennsylvania tracks.

The lifting of the injunction it is stated, will result in Connellsville securing many concessions from the Pennsylvania which could not otherwise have been obtained.

PECULIAR ADOPTION

Robert Buskirk, Aged 27 Changes His Name to Thorpe

UNIONTOWN, Nov 23—The adoption of a young man 27 years of age was unusual this morning. The petition for adoption was presented in court in behalf of Frances Thorpe a resident of Stewart township who asked that she be allowed to adopt Robert Irwin Buskirk. The young man was born March 19 1884 and was the son of Minnie Bower formerly Minnie Buskirk of South Connellsville.

It was stated in the petition that the young man was raised in the home of the petitioner. The adoption was desired in order to make him the heir to Frances Thorpe. The court allowed the petition and the young man takes the name of Thorpe.

Cost Ruppel $8,019

SOMERSET, Nov 2—William H Ruppel the newly elected Judge of Somerset county yesterday filed his expense account showing his expenses to amount to $8,019. The account shows that $8,000 of the amount had been paid to A F Uhl treasurer of the Ruppel campaign and that the other $19 had been paid out for hotel bills railroad fare, etc.

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MRS. THORNHILL

Is Dead at Age of 90, Lived Here Eleven Years

Mrs Martha Barker Thornhill aged 90 years 11 months and 2 days died Thursday at 7 o'clock at the home of her son in law and daughter Mr and Mrs W J Woodall No 108 East Murphy avenue. Mrs Thornhill had been in feeble health for the past three years but was able to walk about in the house up until a few days ago. Her death was due to the infirmities of old age and was not unexpected by her relatives and friends. She suffered no organic disease. For the past few years she was able to read without the aid of glasses and on her 90th birthday anniversary she wrote short messages on post cards and mailed them to her numerous friends. Deceased was remarkably bright for a woman of her age and by her kind and loving disposition won the friendship of all with whom she came in contact. She was very fond of the society of young people and was very entertaining. Notice of funeral later.

Deceased was a daughter of Charles and Anne Penton Barker and was one of a family of eight children one of whom survives. She was born December 21, 1820 at Sheffield England. She came to Canada in 1850 and in 1900 to Connellsville with Mr and Mrs Woodall. She resided here up until her death. At the age of 23 years she was married in Sheffield England to Edward Thornhill whose death occurred some time ago. To the union 11 children were born the following of whom survive Mrs W J Woodall Connellsville, Edward Thornhill of Jamestown North Dakota, Charles Thornhill of Mt Forest Ontario Canada and Mrs Margaret McKibben of Seattle Wash. A daughter, Mrs Alfred Robinson was drowned in 1889 as the result of a wreck of the Scotsman steamship. Mrs Robinson was one of a party of 17 who were taken into a life boat. The boat capsized and all were drowned. She had been on a visit to England and was on her return to her home in Ontario Can. Deceased was a member of the Baptist church of Mt Forest Ontario and since coming to Connellsville attended the First Baptist church as long as her health would permit. In addition to her children one brother Joseph Barker of Kincardin Ontario Can also survives.

Funeral from the Woodall residence tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev F A E Palmquist pastor of the First Baptist church will officiate. The friends of the family are invited to the services. The interment will be private in Hill Grove cemetery.

HUGH D. FRISBEE

Brother of Connellsville Banker Dies at New Castle

After a lingering illness sustained a short time ago death called Hugh D Frisbee 78 years old of 10 Wayne street New Castle Wednesday morning passing away in a quiet painless manner. Six weeks ago Mr Frisbee was stricken with apoplexy. He had been confined to his bed since.

Mr Frisbee was born in Davisville, Allegheny county March 1 1833 and was the son of Samuel Frisbee and Jane Davis. They removed to New Castle while Mr Frisbee was quite young and he had remained there ever since. He was active in commercial lines before his retirement several years ago. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. He also belonged to the Knights of Pythias.

Mr Frisbee is survived by his wife, Mrs Elizabeth Frisbee a son Sam Frisbee in Detroit a daughter Mrs Sarah Robinson of New Castle and a son and daughter James and Bessie living at home. One brother John D Frisbee of Connellsville and a large number of more distantly connected relatives in New Castle also survive him.

Mr and Mrs John D Frisbee and son Fred left Wednesday for New Castle upon receiving word of Hugh Frisbee's serious illness.

TRUMP ARRESTED

Burgess Evans Declines Overcoat As Security For Fine

Lutellus Trump was arrested Friday night at his home on Washington avenue by Officers Thomas McDonald and William Stoner at the request of his wife. Trump was given a hearing this morning by Burgess J L Evans and was fined $ or 7- hours. Trump offered the Burgess $2 0 and his overcoat as security for the balance of his fine. Burgess Evans told him he had better serve his time.

Trump was arrested for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. Trump told Burgess Evans that he had been in Uniontown Friday on business regarding the erection of a house. He said he was sitting before the fire looking over some papers when his little girl took them from his and threw them in the fire. About this time he said Mrs Trump interfered and he slapped her face.

APPROVES BRIDGE.

Colonel Newcomer Will Endeavor to Hasten Brownsville Permit

Lieut Col H C Newcomer has approved the plans for the Brownsville highway bridge which were submitted to him yesterday by H I Porter representing Engineer J B Hogg of Connellsville and Armstrong & Chaney of Washington.

It was stated that every effort would be made to hurry the issuance of a permit allowing the construction of the bridge badly needed at Brownsville since the old wooden structure was destroyed.

Inhaled Scalding Steam

Carl Geary [illegible] son of Mr and Mrs William Geary of Fred[illegible] post office was painfully injured Wednesday. Playmates told him to blow into the spout of a tea kettle but instead he inhaled and filled his lungs with the scalding steam. He is getting along nicely now.

Wounded Deer Fights

Abraham McGowan lockmaster at Lock No [illegible] along the Monongahela sustained a broken shoulder in a struggle with a deer which showed fight when wounded.

MRS. BECK'S ARREST STARTS UP RUMORS.

Claimed That Dragnet Will Close on Some Others in Near Future

FOR THE SCOTTDALE FIRES.

Woman Under Arrest Free on Her Own Recognizance in Connection With Last Fire—Said More Sensational Things Are to Come Forth

SCOTTDALE, Nov 2—With the arrest of Mrs John Beck of Mulberry street charged with arson alleged to have put fire to her own home on October 17 rumors are circulating here that the dragnet is also closing up on the persons or persons who are alleged to have started the fires that did so much damage on Pittsburg street and Broadway. The operatives of the Perlis detective agency have been here and elsewhere ever since the first fires were started. Burgess R J [illegible] and the Town Council having employed them. This was secretly done when a terrible outcry was being made by many citizens that nothing was being done.

The arrest of Mrs Beck was not to have taken place until Monday according to the understanding of the local police force. Just why the warrant was served on Thursday night at about 11 o'clock has not been divulged. It is upon this action that the rumors of something else of a more sensational nature is drawing near. Mrs Beck is not connected in any way it is said with the downtown fires.

The arrest of Mrs Beck surprised her but found the woman courageous denying that she fired the house and endangered her own life and those of her three small children. What will come out in the hearing to be held before [illegible] Monday [illegible] promises [illegible]. It is said that no deeper further than merely [illegible] hold the woman for court will be brought forth. On the other hand it is asserted that Mrs Beck will take the initiative in this and will herself [illegible].

Mrs Beck has been a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ... [illegible] that the wife of [illegible] John Beck of the Uniontown [illegible] and Pittsburg, and [illegible] [illegible] that the fires [illegible] she and the children [illegible] sued by some relentless enemy. Mr Beck says that he [illegible] in his wife and that he will [illegible] to fight for her. [illegible] Pittsburg [illegible] it is very reticent about matters concerning the fires.

PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICES.

There Will Be But One Speaker This Year at Exercises in Soisson Theatre on Sunday December

Arrangements have been completed for the annual memorial services of the Connellsville Lodge No 503 B P O E to be held Sunday afternoon December [illegible] in the Soisson theatre. All members of the lodge are requested to meet at the Elks home on East Main street at [illegible] o'clock and [illegible] to the theatre. A cordial invitation to the services is extended to the public. In the past year three members of the lodge were called away by the angel of death. They were [illegible] Newcomer, D F Girard and M J Cunningham.

An exceptionally good program has been arranged. The general eulogy will be delivered by Robert Lee Heed. On account of there being but one speaker the program will be shorter than usual. The program is as follows:

Chopin's Funeral March — Kiferle's Orchestra
Prelude — Kiferle's Orchestra
Opening Ceremonies
[illegible] H Hammering [illegible]
Quartette — Selected
Miss Elizabeth Mae Brown
Miss Mildred Mill
Mr John Day
M Charlesworth
General Eulogy — Robert Lee Head
Solo Selected — Prof J W D [illegible] of Uniontown
Contralto solo—Jerusalem — Miss Annabel Mill[illegible]
Closing Ceremonies [illegible]
Doxology Audience Joining
Postlude — Kiferle's Orchestra
Miss Jesse Rhodes Accompanist

The departed brothers [illegible] Lodge No 503 to whom tribute will be paid are [illegible] Davidson, [illegible] Emmett Still, [illegible] Harry S Stout, M K Smith, James Lehind, Charles L Clark, W [illegible] Anderson, F T Welt, [illegible], J Jones, S [illegible] Mason, Quitman Marietta, W H Brown, [illegible] Thompson, Charles H Rush, [illegible] George L Snyder, George M Gi[illegible], O L Pore, Andrew Hans, Clair Still[illegible], M J Cunningham, [illegible] Newcomer and D F Girard.

John Bigelow is 94

NEW YORK, Nov 2—(Special)—John Bigelow who was United States minister to France during the Civil War received the congratulations of a host of friends today on the beginning of his 95th birthday. Since his retirement [illegible] Mr Bigelow has been engaged in literary labor.

Her Father Dead

Mrs J M Mace of Greensburg formerly of Connellsville has received word of the death of her father a few days ago in San Antonio Texas.

To Buy Auto Truck

The Washington Pa Town Council has decided to purchase an auto fire truck.

K. O. T. M AT OHIOPYLE

Tent No 377 Reorganized Thursday Evening With New Members

Ohiopyle Tent No 377 Knights of the Maccabees of the World was reorganized at that place Thursday evening with the assistance of the Confluence Tent No [illegible] Deputy A W Allen [illegible] charge of the [illegible] members were initiated into the order which promises to thrive as it never has before.

The Confluence [illegible] Knights who conferred the degrees were Commander Frank Lowell, Lieutenant Commander [illegible] Record Keeper [illegible] Chaplain Edward Jeffri[illegible] Master at Arms Daniel Smith [illegible] [illegible] Second M[illegible] [illegible] Sentinel [illegible] Bird and [illegible] Charles Still.

Another meeting will be held [illegible] ber 7 when another class will be taken in.

DURBORAW TALKS TO MEN AT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Discusses Men and Religion Forward Movement Following Turkey Supper Last Evening

A H Durboraw [illegible] member of Trinity Lutheran church of Wilkinsburg and [illegible] of the first [illegible] committee on the Men and Religion Forward Movement [illegible] address [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the Trinity Lutheran church. The address was preceded by a turkey supper which was served in the dining room [illegible] under the auspices of the Men's Bible Class of the church. The women of the church [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the church.

Following the [illegible] supper Dr H C Hoffman [illegible] president [illegible] introduced Mr Durboraw who chose his subject "How This Movement Might Be Applied in the Individual Life Activity". He emphasized the [illegible] principal points of the movement which are as follows: Work for Boys, Bible Study, Evangelism, Social Service and [illegible] [illegible]. This morning Mr Durboraw left for Cumberland where he will [illegible] the men [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] will [illegible] [illegible] tomorrow when the [illegible] churches in the interest of organizing the city.

FEW CHANGES MADE IN SCHEDULE OF B & O

Train No [illegible] Will Arrive 15 Minutes Earlier in the Evening—The Mt Pleasant Branch Affected

The winter time card of the [illegible] Connellsville [illegible] [illegible] which went into effect Sunday [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] changes [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] will [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] evening instead of [illegible] The Duquesne [illegible] [illegible] will leave for the [illegible] at [illegible] M instead of 7 44.

[illegible] the Mt Pleasant branch [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mt Pleasant [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ten minutes additional running time is given the train to reach Cumberland.

Several changes have been made on the Somerset [illegible] branch. [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible] o'clock in the morning instead of [illegible] and will reach Rockwood [illegible] o'clock instead of 7 10. Train No 20[illegible] will leave Johnstown at the same time as now 5 20 [illegible] M but will arrive at [illegible] [illegible] 6 [illegible] instead of 6 [illegible].

FIRST SLEDDING ACCIDENT OF SEASON IS REPORTED.

John Martin Slides on to Pittsburg Street and Lands Under Dr J E Kerr's Automobile

John Martin three eight years [illegible] [illegible] from being seriously [illegible] Saturday while coasting on Library [illegible]. A number of boys were coasting on [illegible] street and John and another boy were riding. Just as they reached the Pittsburg street crossing John's sled was struck by an automobile which the boy said was Dr J E Kerr's.

The child said he was thrown under the auto [illegible] and crawled from beneath it escaping with only a slight scratch on his cheek. Dr Kerr [illegible] up the hill following making careful examination of the boy found that he was not injured. The accident was unavoidable. The crossing is a very dangerous one for coasters.

GIRL IS MISSING.

May Sirlo, Aged 12 Left Uniontown Home Friday Morning

UNIONTOWN, Nov [illegible]—May Sirlo [illegible] 12 years daughter [illegible] Mrs May Sirlo a Slavish resident of Uniontown has been missing since [illegible] Saturday. [illegible] The child was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and has not been heard of since.

[illegible] who is nearly frantic [illegible] the [illegible] police court [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] The child is pretty and wore a brown dress and [illegible] and [illegible] white [illegible] She has brown hair.

HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATED

Judge Van Swearingen Leading Speaker at North Union Event

The new High School of North Union township was dedicated Friday. Judge J Q Van Swearingen delivered the dedicatory [illegible] State Superintendent [illegible] Nathan C Shaffer was present. Other speakers were County Superintendent C C Lewellyn and [illegible] A N [illegible] [illegible] representing the [illegible] [illegible] Hon John [illegible] chairman of the House Committee on Education was present. [illegible] presided.

Former Postmaster Dead

John [illegible] former postmaster at [illegible] [illegible] was found dead in a chair last night. The family thought him asleep.

REGISTER AND CLERK'S NOTICE.

The following Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees have settled their respective accounts in the office of the Register and Clerk of Orphans' Court and the same will be presented for confirmation to the Orphans' Court of Fayette County at the Court House, Uniontown, on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1911

No	Estate of	Accountants	Filed
1—Le[illegible] Rachel A		C M [illegible] et al executors	Aug [illegible] 1911
2—[illegible] Mary T		O [illegible] Taylor executor	Aug [illegible] 1911
3—D[illegible]		Jes[illegible] H D[illegible] guardian	Sept 13 1911
4—Brownfield Rebecca S and Brownfield Walter C		M[illegible] Clark Str[illegible] guardian	Sept [illegible] 1911
5—[illegible]		Arthur [illegible] administrator	Sept [illegible] 1911
6—Hiller Sarah J		Joseph T Crossland administrator	[illegible] 1911
7—[illegible]		Wm O H[illegible] administrator	Oct [illegible] 1911
8—[illegible] Julia [illegible]		[illegible] administrator	Oct 10 1911
9—[illegible]		Citizens [illegible] & Trust Co guardian	Oct 11 1911
10—Hawkins Ernest Seigl		W[illegible] Hawkins administratrix	Oct 11 1911
11—[illegible] Samuel		[illegible] J Bishel executor	Oct 11 1911
12—[illegible]		[illegible] & Trust Co of Pittsburg [illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
13—[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct 1[illegible] 1911
14—Smith [illegible]		[illegible]	Oct 1[illegible] 1911
15—[illegible] William		[illegible] administrat[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
16—Martin William O		[illegible] administrator [illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
17—Hopkins Na[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
18—[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
19—[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
20—McC[illegible]		[illegible] & Trust Co guardian	Oct [illegible] 1911
21—[illegible]		[illegible] administrator	Oct 25 1911
22—[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
23—[illegible]		[illegible] trust	Oct [illegible] 1911
24—[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
25—[illegible]		[illegible] executors	[illegible] 1911
26—[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible] 1911
27—[illegible]		[illegible] administrat[illegible]	[illegible] 1911
28—[illegible]		Mary L [illegible] administratrix	Oct [illegible] 1911
29—[illegible]		[illegible] Trust Co guardian	Oct [illegible] 1911
30—[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
31—[illegible]		[illegible]	Oct [illegible] 1911
32—[illegible]		[illegible] administrator	Oct [illegible] 1911
33—[illegible]		[illegible] guardian	Oct [illegible] 1911
34—[illegible]		[illegible] executor	Nov [illegible] 1911
35—[illegible]		[illegible] administrat[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
36—[illegible]		[illegible] administrat[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
37—[illegible]		[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
38—[illegible]		[illegible] guardian	Nov [illegible] 1911
39—[illegible]		[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
40—[illegible]		[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
41—[illegible]		[illegible] administratrix	Nov [illegible] 1911
42—[illegible]		[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
43—[illegible]		[illegible] executor	Nov [illegible] 1911
44—[illegible]		[illegible] guardian	Nov [illegible] 1911
45—Miller May [illegible]		[illegible] Miller [illegible] administratrix	Nov [illegible] 1911
46—[illegible]		[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
47—[illegible]		[illegible]	Nov [illegible] 1911
48—[illegible]		M[illegible] administratrix	Nov [illegible] 1911

CHARLES O SCHROYER,
Register and Clerk of Orphans' Court. Uniontown, Pa, November [illegible] 1911

AUDIT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the above accounts will be taken up for audit and distribution before [illegible] of the Orphans' Court of Fayette County at the Court House [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] December [illegible] 1911 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] December [illegible] 1911 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]

CHARLES O SCHROYER,
Clerk of Orphans' Court

ACCIDENTAL DEATH IS VERDICT OF JURY.

Coroner Bell Conducted Inquest Into Death of Eugene Fov Friday.

NO ONE WITNESSED SHOOTING.

Mr John Bliss and Her Son Amel Were the Principal Witnesses in Probe Into Death of Negro Lad at Brookvale a Week Ago

Coroner Bell on Friday conducted the inquest into the death of Eugene Fov the little colored boy who was found dead in the yard of John Bliss at Brookvale a week ago yesterday with a bullet through his heart. No new facts were brought out during the examination and the jury returned a verdict that death came to the boy from a bullet accidentally discharged from the rifle in his own hands.

Mrs M C Hunter at whose home the dead boy lived and who had cared for the lad since he was six months old sobbed loudly throughout the proceedings. After the testimony was all in she expressed dissatisfaction that she was not allowed to tell the state all she had seen. She said Bliss [illegible] the gun at Eugene many times and had seen him on the [illegible] while across the road from the Bliss home. Coroner Bell explained that evidence of this nature would have been irrelevant since it could not be shown that anyone pointed the gun at the lad when he was stricken dead by the bullet.

Little Amel Bliss took the stand and told a straightforward story. He said he had been playing with Eugene on the morning of the tragedy. He said he kept cartridges for the gun in the stable and [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]. On the morning in question he said he went to the stable got the gun and fired one shot [illegible] bird. Then he put the gun back. He said he was called in by his mother and was drying the dishes when he heard a shot fired. He ran out and found Eugene lying on the ground with the gun nearby.

Mrs Bliss took the stand and said she did not hear the shot fired. Her son Amel ran out to find Eugene and ran back into the house telling his mother that Eugene had shot himself.

M C Hunter was examined simply to bring out that there was no ill feeling between the Hunter and Bliss families. He said Eugene often went over to play with the Bliss boys. Hunter said he warned Eugene not to handle weapons.

The jury composed of A T Barry, T G Gorman, W J Baer, Kert Clifton and [illegible] Colum deliberated for a time and returned a verdict of accidental shooting. [illegible] [illegible] Jordan was unable to attend the inquest.

BULLET HIT WRONG MAN

Oran Trump Got It in Foot But Fagans Was Intended Victim

Oran Trump aged about [illegible] years and a [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Davidson mine on Friday [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was [illegible] at the fight.

Just as Trump was passing the two men one pulled a revolver from his pocket and fired at the other. The shot missed the intended victim and passed into Trump's foot. The bullet is thought to have lodged in the foot. An X ray will be used this afternoon to locate the bullet.

PITIFUL DESTITUTION CASE BEFORE THE COURT.

Little Mary Sickles Is Placed in Charge of the Children's Aid Society to Get Proper Care

UNIONTOWN, Nov [illegible]—[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mrs [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Uniontown [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] one [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] her father and three [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mrs [illegible]

[illegible] of Mary [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] pretty girl [illegible] [illegible] intelligent. Mrs [illegible] [illegible] Dr [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] representing the [illegible] Society.

[illegible] was placed in the care of the Children's Aid Society. The [illegible] good home [illegible] [illegible] and keep [illegible] [illegible] for $1 [illegible] The county agreed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] amount. It is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] will be placed in [illegible]

[illegible] Foster aged [illegible] years [illegible]

Rudolph Minder of New Salem aged 13 years son of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] The mother [illegible] the support of the [illegible]

Ralph Harn aged 8 was brought into court [illegible] Mrs Harn [illegible] [illegible] also appeared [illegible] [illegible] with her husband [illegible] to send [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dust in school in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] father of the boy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] arrested on a charge of desertion and [illegible] [illegible] to support Ralph at [illegible] school.

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Will Then Have a Membership of [illegible] 0 and Expect to Open New Club House Early in December.

The Italian Fraternal Association of Fayette County with a membership of [illegible] and the Columbus [illegible] [illegible] Independent Club with a membership of 200 both local organizations are preparing to consolidate and the attorneys are now drawing up the papers.

The new club will have a combined membership of [illegible] including the leading Italian citizens of this vicinity. [illegible] building recently purchased on First [illegible] West Side is being remodeled into a modern club house and will be ready for occupancy next week.

Early in December the club members expect to open the club house with an affair that will be large in similar to a housewarming.

SUIT IS FILED.

Against Dunbar Firm To [illegible] a Promissory Note

UNIONTOWN, Pa, Nov 2—Suit was entered this morning in local courts by Morris Levy and Hardman [illegible] [illegible] the Special Glove & Novelty Company against M Hays Lisson of Dunbar to recover a sum of $1 74 on two promissory notes. It is seldom that suit is entered to recover such a small sum on promissory notes. The attorneys representing the case are Attorneys Leonard & Younkin.

Fair Jury's Verdict

John Schmidt and Sherrill Clark were found guilty of assault and battery and [illegible] Simm was acquitted by a verdict returned last Friday by the [illegible] at Lincoln Center Kan. The men were charged with administering a coat of tar to Miss Mary Chamberlain.

One Body to Poor Board

Shortly after noon Friday Coroner Bell of Dawson was notified by Coroner [illegible] of Somerset county to have the body of the unknown negro, who died at the [illegible] State hospital shipped to the Somerset County Poor Board.

Priest Hunting Victim

Rev Joseph Dellukatis a Catholic priest of Hazleton was accidentally killed in a hunting accident yesterday.

COKE PRODUCTION SHOWS INCREASE

Census Bureau Gives Out Figures of Four Year Period.

SALARIES SHOW A BIG GAIN

They Increased 66 Per Cent From 1904 to 1909 With Even Greater Gain in Value of the Product—By-Products Grow Larger.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Nov. 25.—A preliminary statement of the general results of the Thirteenth Census of establishments engaged in the production of coke was issued today by Director Durand, of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce and Labor. It contains summaries which give the general figures for 1904 and 1909 and compares the different products by kind and quantity. The statistics of gas-house coke are not included, as they are given in the preliminary statement for gas manufacturers. The report was prepared under the direction of William M. Steuart, chief statistician for manufactures, Bureau of the Census. The figures are subject to such revision as may be necessary after a further examination of the original reports.

Rates of Increase.

The general summary shows increases in all the items at the census of 1909 as compared with that for 1904, except in miscellaneous expenses, which decreased 33 per cent, and primary horsepower 6 per cent.

The number of establishments increased 13 per cent; capital invested, 68 per cent; the gross value of products, 85 per cent; cost of materials, 114 per cent; value added by manufacture, 45 per cent; average number of wage earners employed during the year, 54 per cent; amount paid for wages, 66 per cent; number of salaried officials and clerks, 34 per cent; amount paid in salaries, 66 per cent.

There were 315 establishments engaged in this industry in 1909 and 278 in 1904, an increase of 37, or 13 per cent.

The capital invested as reported in 1909 was $152,321,000, a gain of $61,608,000, or 68 per cent, over $90,713,000 in 1904. The average capital per establishment was approximately $484,000 in 1909 and $326,000 in 1904.

Value of Products.

The value of products was $95,697,000 in 1909 and $51,729,000 in 1904, an increase of $43,968,000, or 85 per cent. The average per establishment was approximately $304,000 in 1909 and $186,000 in 1904.

The cost of materials used was $64,025,000 in 1909, as against $29,885,000 in 1904, an increase of $34,140,000, or 114 per cent.

The value added by manufacture was $31,672,000 in 1909 and $21,844,000 in 1904, an increase of $9,828,000, or 45 per cent. This item formed 33 per cent of the total value of products in 1909 and 42 per cent in 1904. The value added by manufacture represents the difference between the cost of materials used and the value of products after the manufacturing processes have been expended upon them. It is the best measure of the relative importance of industries.

Salaries and Wages.

The salaries and wages amounted to $17,526,000 in 1909 and $10,552,000 in 1904, an increase of $6,974,000, or 66 per cent.

The number of salaried officials and clerks was 1,852 in 1909 and 1,386 in 1904, an increase of 34 per cent; their salaries increased from $1,248,000 to $2,072,000, or 66 per cent.

The average number of wage earners employed during the year was 29,273 in 1909 and 18,951 in 1904, an increase of 54 per cent; their wages increased from $9,304,000 to $15,454,000, or 66 per cent.

The primary horsepower was 62,602 in 1909 and 66,669 in 1904, a decrease of 6 per cent.

Quantities and Kinds of Products.

The number of tons of coke produced was 39,315,065 in 1909 and 24,733,063 in 1904, an increase of 14,582,002, or 59 per cent. Of these amounts there were produced by the beehive ovens 33,060,421 tons in 1909 and 22,512,152 in 1904, an increase of 10,548,269, or 47 per cent; and by retort ovens with by-product recovery, 6,254,644 tons in 1909 and 2,220,911 in 1904, showing the remarkable increase of 4,033,733 tons, or 182 per cent.

By-products from retort ovens showed even a more marked increase of output. Of gas thus produced there were 76,590,763 cubic feet (thousands) in 1909 and 18,761,101 in 1904, an increase of 57,829,662, or 308 per cent; of this gas there was used in process or wasted 60,799,543 cubic feet (thousands) in 1909 and 14,878,301 in 1904, an increase of 45,921,242, or 309 per cent; the amount of by-product gas sold was 15,791,220 cubic feet (thousands) in 1909 and 3,882,800 in 1904, an increase of 11,908,420, or 307 per cent. The other by-products were: Tar, 60,126,006 gallons in 1909 and 23,074,225 in 1904, an increase of 37,051,781, or 161 per cent; ammonium sulphate 123,111,197 pounds in 1909 and 26,050,713 in 1904, an increase of 97,060,484, or 373 per cent.

The Tabular Summaries.

Comparative summaries follow, giving the general statistics of the industry and the kind and quantity of products, 1904 and 1909:

GENERAL SUMMARY 1909 AND 1904.

ITEMS.	1909	1904.	Per cent of increase 1904-09
Number of establishments	315	278	13
Capital	$152,321,000	$90,713,000	68
Cost of materials used	64,025,000	29,885,000	114
Salaries and wages	17,526,000	10,552,000	66
Salaries	2,072,000	1,248,000	66
Wages	15,454,000	9,304,000	66
Miscellaneous expenses	3,288,000	4,891,000	*33
**Value of products	95,697,000	51,729,000	85
Value added by manufacture (products less cost of materials)	31,672,000	21,844,000	45
Employes:			
Number of salaried officials and clerks	1,852	1,386	34
Average number of wage earners employed during the year	29,273	18,951	54
Primary horsepower	62,602	66,669	*6

*Decrease.

**Does not include coke and by-products from retort ovens to the value of $2,343,000 produced by establishments engaged primarily in the manufacture of other products.

COKE*—PRODUCTS BY KIND AND QUANTITY: 1909 AND 1904.

	1909**	1904**	Pct. of in. 04-09
Coke (tons, 2,000 pounds)	39,315,065	24,733,063	59
Beehive	33,060,421	22,512,152	47
Retort or by-product	6,254,644	2,220,911	182
By-products obtained from retort or by-product ovens:			
Gas made (1,000 cubic feet)	76,590,763	18,761,101	308
Used in process or wasted	60,799,543	14,878,301	309
Sold	15,791,220	3,882,800	307
Tar (gallons)	60,126,006	23,074,225	161
Ammonium sulphate (pounds)	123,111,197	26,050,713	373

*Coke made in gas establishments will be found under the classification "Gas, Illuminating and heating."

**Includes quantity of coke and by-products from retort ovens produced by establishments engaged primarily in the manufacture of other products, the value of which—$2,343,000—is not included in the general summary.

MORE FORESTS DOOMED BY RUTHLESS SAWMILL

East Slope of Negro Mountain Will Next Be Felled by the Enterprise Lumber Company.

The Enterprise Lumber Company which has been denuding the west slope of Negro mountain of standing timber is about to transfer its operations to the east slope of the mountain. The company owns a large tract of timber on the upper reaches of Tubmill run and has options on a number of adjacent tracts. The whole comprises one of the finest and most extensive bodies of timber left intact in the southern part of Somerset county.

Engineers have been at work for some time on the preliminary survey for a railroad from West Salisbury up Tubmill run to the site of the proposed sawmill for the cutting of the timber controlled by the Enterprise Lumber Company. It is thought the mill will be located in the vicinity of the picturesque Tubmill Falls.

The Enterprise Company has a dinky railroad which comes up the west slope of Negro mountain, almost to the summit, to take out the logs and timber in the vicinity of Savage. It would be impractical to bring this road over the mountain to take the Tubmill lumber out in that direction. The logical outlet will be down stream to a junction with the Salisbury branch of the B. & O. at West Salisbury, and that seems to be the purpose of the survey now being made.

The erection of a large saw mill and atendant logging camps on the upper waters of Tubmill run will be of direct benefit to Salisbury and Meyersdale while the industry lasts, but many persons, especially nature lovers, will regret to see the beautiful forests fall before the ruthless lumberman's ax. The cutting of the timber in the Tubmill watershed will about put an end to trout-fishing in Tubmill run, which used to be one of the best trout streams in Somerset county. Tubmill Falls and the picturesque mountain side will be robbed of a large part of their beauty.

It will probably take several years to cut out all the timber included in the Enterprice Lumber Company's holdings on the east slope of Negro mountain.

FIRST FREIGHT HAULED OVER W. M. AT MEYERSDALE

Consignment of Goods is Sent to Keystone by Way of the New Railroad Last Week.

Meyersdale can at last boast a competing line of railroad for the handling of freight. The monopoly enjoyed by the Baltimore & Ohio for 40 years, from 1871 to 1911, is broken. The Western Maryland, though still in an unfinished state, has already commenced the transportation of freight for Meyersdale merchants.

The initial shipments of freight from the Meyersdale station of the Connellsville & State Line, or Western Maryland railroad, was made on Friday, November 17th when the Kennewag Grocery Company, C. E. Deal, of the Champion Mills, and B. F. Smith, the butter and egg man, made up a cargo for shipment to the Western Maryland commissary beyond Keystone Junction.

The B. & O. has hitherto handled all freight shipped into and out of Meyersdale, but the Western Maryland is now a competitor for the business, though still on a small scale. However, upon the completion of the line through from Cumberland to Connellsville, giving connection with the entire Western Maryland and Vanderbilt systems, the competition will be of a nature to redound greatly to the benefit of Meyersdale business men and people of that section generally.

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BANNER DISTRICT

Twenty-third Pennsylvania Contributes Largely to Revenue Receipts.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The twenty-third internal revenue district of Pennsylvania, of which Pittsburg is the center, contributed $12,806,831.61 to the revenues of the United States for the fiscal year ending June, 1911. These remarkable figures appear in the annual report of Commissioner Royal E. Cabbell, just made public. The total receipts of the bureau amounted to $322,526,299.72.

There was collected from corporations of the United States a tax of $33,511,525. Of this amount the Pittsburg district contributed $2,016,554.39, the capital stock of such corporations amounting to $2,691,171,653.54. But two districts in the United States lead Pittsburg, the Second New York, with $4,038,419.59, and the Second Illinois with $2,763,495.34. The total corporation tax from Pennsylvania was $5,999.06, the Keystone state being second, New York leading with collections of $6,301,652.27, Illinois, with $3,023,332.07, is third, and Ohio, with $2,041,823.26, is fourth. West Virginia's corporation tax totaled $178,915.36.

The net income of financial and commercial corporations of the Pittsburg district was $13,768,975.32; public service, such as railroads, telegraph and telephone companies, $51,985,587.53, industrial and manufacturing, such as mining, rolling mills, machine shops, etc., $120,491,743.34; mercantile, including all dealers in coal, lumber and not otherwise classed as producers, or manufacturers, $7,921,470.67; miscellaneous including contractors, hotels and theatres, $2,516,133.

Corporation tax collected for the first three months of the fiscal year 1912 amounts to $1,687,018, as compared with $7,912,486 for the same period of 1911, a decrease of $1,225,468.

Although there are more prohibitory districts in the country than when the last report of the bureau was made in 1910, the production of distilled spirits shows a big increase. In 1910 it was 163,894,960 gallons and in 1911 183,355,527 gallons, an increase of 19,461,567 gallons. In 1910 tax-paid spirits were withdrawn to the amount of 128,657,776 gallons, as against 134,600,193 gallons in 1911, an increase of 5,942,417 gallons.

The tax on distilled spirits in the Pittsburg district yielded $6,112,951.16. There is still deposited in bond in the warehouses there 22,662,389 gallons, and of this amount 6,076,227 gallons have remained more than four years and is now eligible to be bottled in bond. The total gauged during the fiscal year in the Pittsburg district was 19,996,148 gallons, while the total rectified was 3,206,815.

The Twenty-third district established a new record in the amount of spirits bottled in bond, being surpassed only by the Fifth Kentucky, which is the famous Bourbon country. In the latter district there was bottled 3,324,176 gallons and in the Pittsburg district 1,718,250 gallons.

A total of $2,743,075 tax was paid in the Twenty-third district on fermented liquors. The total for the State was $7,911,742, for Ohio $4,573,275, and for West Virginia $361,330.

Pennsylvania's tobacco tax totaled $811,334.78, of which amount the Twenty-third district contributed $3,151.64. Ohio's tax was $3,295,376.24, and West Virginia $443,182.58. The total government receipts on domestic and imported tobacco manufactures paid by stamps totaled $67,005,550.56.

The Twenty-third district had 583 cigar factories in operation during the calendar year ended December 31, 1910, from which were produced 688,519,325 cigars and stogies. A total of 7,928,234,051 cigars and stogies were produced from 22,519 factories throughout the United States. Cigarets to the number of 5,663,729,171 were manufactured in 523 factories.

The States in which the largest collections were made in the past fiscal year are: Illinois, $54,511,195; New York, $44,475,165; Kentucky, $33,255,178, Indiana $31,123,381, Pennsylvania, $27,606,360, and Ohio $21,828,616.

The total amount expended by the bureau in collecting revenues for the fiscal year was $5,411,558. It cost $125,526 for prosecutions in Pennsylvania, $141,251 in Ohio, and $13,611 in West Virginia. A fine of $250 was levied in the Pittsburg district for violation of the opium laws.

Commissioner Royal E. Cabell says:

All records were broken in the past fiscal year in the production of alcoholic liquors.

"The smoking of opium is a widespread vice in this country and opium joints exist in every city of considerable size.

"The double system of taxing oleomargarine is corrupting grocers and gross frauds are being perpetrated on the butter-buying public.

"The internal revenue receipts last year were $322,526,299, the greatest in the history of the government.

"Corporations making returns under the new corporation tax law numbered 270,202, with an aggregate capital of $67,886,480,419. The aggregate net income to the stockholders was $3,360,250,612."

The year's production of distilled spirits amounted to 173,402,395 gallons, nearly 7,000,000 gallons more than in the previous banner year, 1907. The production of beer, ale, etc., amounted to 63,216,851 barrels, nearly 1,600,000 barrels more than in the previous record year, 1910.

BIG STEEL BRIDGE

Will Span Monongahela for P. R. R. Near Brownsville.

A new all-steel double track bridge will be built by the Pennsylvania railroad, on the Monongahela division across the Monongahela river, about one mile below Brownsville. The bridge on which the work will be started immediately after the awarding of the contract, and which is expected to be completed by June 1, will cost about $350,000.

Bids will be received by Chief Engineer A. C. Shand today and the work will be in charge of Norman F. Brown, assistant engineer of construction and his assistant, George Kenderdine. The new bridge will have a channel span of of 401 feet and a clearance of 52 feet above the pool level. It will replace the old wrought iron single track structure built in 1881

DAVIDSON TEAM WON FIRST PRIZE.

Declared Best of Ten Competing in First Aid Work Yesterday.

LEISENRING NO. 3 IS SECOND

And Third Prize Taken by Everson Car Shops—Average Percentage of All Contestants Was 96.1—Dr. Shields Concludes Lecture.

The Davidson first aid team won the competition in the West Side auditorium Wednesday afternoon against nine other first aid details from mines in this neighborhood. Leisenring No. 3 took second prize and the Everson Car Shops third.

The competition was held following the conclusion of the eighth and last lecture on first aid work being given by Dr. M. L. Shields, the Red Cross representative of Mt. Pleasant. Interest in first aid work is almost as great as the baseball contests between teams of the various plants and decidedly more profitable.

The teams were put through three tests. The average of all 10 competitors was 96.1, exceptionally high, and the splendid work drew from Dr. Shields the highest commendation. Dr. R. S. McKee of the West Side, D. Pursey of Monarch and Superintendent A. B. Collins of Hecla were the judges.

The first test was a one-man task, the operator being required to attend an imaginary fracture of the nose accompanied by severe bleeding and two crushed fingers on the left hand. The second test was a two-man task, in which the operators were supposed to remove the victim from a high voltage electric wire, and administer artificial respiration. The third and final test was for the full team of five men. The victim was supposed to have two broken ribs on the left side, an arm fractured between the shoulder and elbow, accompanied by severe hemorrhages. The team was required to dress the injuries and place the victim on a stretcher, carrying him the length of the hall.

The Davidson team under Superintendent R. C. Beerbower, was made up of Max Reidman, captain, William Bell, John Malloy, Joseph Morgan and James Yocum, with George Rusnock as the victim.

The Leisenring No. 3 team, winning second prize, was made up of Captain David Brown, Joseph Oglethrope, John Oglethrope, Isaac Davis and Harry Ganier, with Patrick Gettings as the subject.

The Car Shops team was made up of Captain O. P. Koch, George McGoogan, Frank Brown, J. D. Keithley and D. H. Kelly, with James Reynolds as the subject.

At Mt. Pleasant yesterday morning three prizes were awarded. Marguerite was given first honors. Standard second, and United third. Today the teams of the Klondyke region will compete in Uniontown.

Washington Theatre Burns.

The Nixon theatre at Washington, Pa., was totally destroyed Friday night by fire which also burned the Lyric building. The loss is placed at $30,000.

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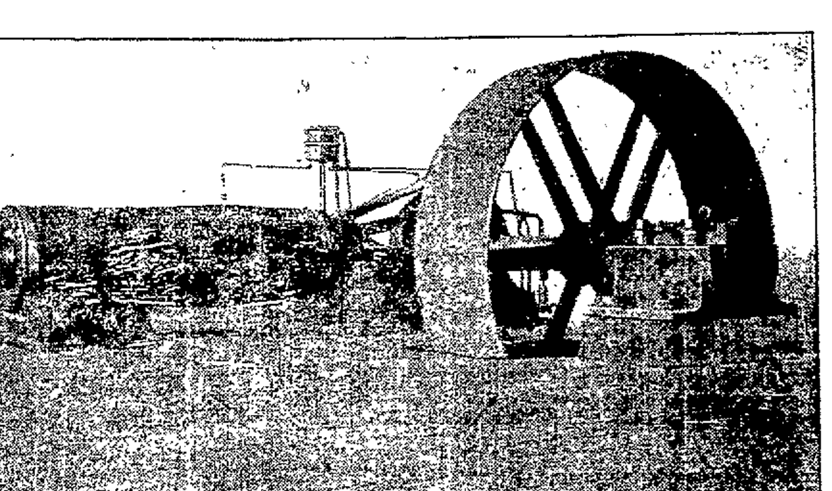

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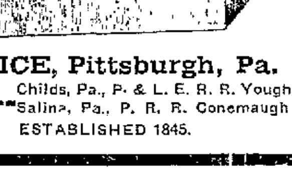

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